

MURFREESBORO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2020

12:00 NOON

Call to Order

Prayer and Pledge

Consider for Approval the Minutes of the January 9, 2020, Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Commission meeting.

New Business

- I. Presentation of Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association Awards
- II. Recap of BOGO Special for Patterson Community Center and Sports Com
- III. Consider for Approval Adjustment to McFadden Community Center's Operating Hours
- IV. Consider for Approval Adjustment to Sunday Operating Hours at Adams Tennis Complex
- V. Background for Tennis Tournament Participant Fee
- VI. Patterson Park Community Center STEAM Room Project
- VII. MPRD Program/Activity Updates

Other Business

MURFREESBORO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020

12:00 NOON

- MPRC Members Present: Mr. D. Edwin Jernigan, Jr.
Dr. Charlie Apigian, Dr. Gloria Bonner, Dr. Linda Gilbert,
Mr. Rick LaLance, Mr. Eddie Miller, Mr. Tim Roediger,
Mr. Eddie Smotherman, and Mr. Ricky Turner
- MPRC Member Absent: Mr. Don Turner (ex officio)
- MPRD Staff Present: Mr. Nate Williams, Director
Ms. Rachel Singer, Assistant Director
Mr. Gary Arbit, Ms. Lisa Browning, Mr. Jim Davis,
Ms. Mitzi Hughes, Ms. Deb Hunter, Ms. Cayce Neal,
and Ms. Melinda Tate
- Others Present: Ms. Angela Jackson, Exec. Director of Community Services
Ms. Kelley Baker, Assistant City Attorney
Mr. Mike Browning, City Public Information Officer
Mr. Jay Bradley, Energy, Land, & Infrastructure, LLC
Mr. Miles Tate (presentation only)
Group Reps Receiving Half Marathon Donation Checks

After the meeting was called to order, Dr. Gloria Bonner led the commission and guests in a prayer and in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Next, Ms. Melinda Tate and Mr. Miles Tate presented donation checks from the Murfreesboro Half Marathon funds to representatives for groups who were a big part in helping before, during, and/or after the race in October 2019. Group recipients included: Project LERN, Project FIT, Rutherford County Track Club, Endure Athletics, Oaklands Mansion, Rutherford County Convention and Visitors Center, Main Street, Blue Raider Athletic Association, MTSU Track, the 100 Club, Murfreesboro Police Department, and Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Department. Ms. Tate said that the Half Marathon would not be possible without the continued support from all who step in to make it a big success.

Ms. Deb Hunter, Assistant Cultural Arts Coordinator, said she was honored to introduce the 2020 Murfreesboro Cultural Arts Laureates (a painter, a photographer, and a poet) who were chosen by the Cultural Arts staff “to share their talents, serve as role models to emerging youth and adult artists, and to encourage and nurture the growing arts and creative culture,” all in Murfreesboro.

Introduced was Dawna Magliacano, the Painter Laureate, “a multidiscipline artist for over 45 years, but officially and full-time for the past 12 years, whose work has been featured in multiple publications, including two volumes of the *North Light Publications* titled: *The Best of Mixed Media*.” She labels herself a visual storyteller and art adventurer, who creates traditional portraits, paintings, and sculptures, usually colorful, with whimsical and enchanting themes that are often amusing. Her works are collected internationally.

Mr. Tommy Womack, the Photographer Laureate, was introduced as a freelance website designer who determined that attractive imagery, eye-catching photos, videos, and animation are needed for the best results with his business. He took photography classes to improve his skills and developed a passion for photography. He now uses 360 Virtual imaging to capture and feature events and places locally, including community-wide events to make an observer feel a part of the action.

Ms. Hunter also introduced Amie Whittemore, the Poet Laureate and the author of *Glass Harvest*, a poetry collection. She has won multiple awards for her poems, including a Dorothy Sargent Rosenberg Prize (a prestigious national fellowship poetry award). Also, some of her poems and prose have been published in *The Gettysburg Review*, *Nashville Review*, *Smartish Pace*, *Pleiades*, and in other publications. She currently teaches English at MTSU and is the Reviews Editor for *Southern Indiana Review*.

The individual works which earned the talented laureates their 2020 titles will be exhibited at the Washington Theatre Community Gallery at Patterson Park Community Center. Ms. Hunter announced that all three laureates selected this year's laureate theme as "Eye to Eye: View from the Heart." The laureates will create new art during the year in the name of "Murfreesboro Laureate" and will work together on additional new projects. Ms. Hunter congratulated the laureates, as did Mr. Jernigan on behalf of the commission.

Mr. Jernigan thanked all the guests at the meeting and asked them to please report to the rotunda for photos. He mentioned that the business of the meeting would begin shortly, and they were welcomed to stay if interested.

Mr. Jernigan then presented the Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Commission minutes of November 6, 2019, for approval. Dr. Bonner made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Mr. Miller seconded, and motion passed by unanimous vote.

Ms. Cayce Neal, Adams Tennis Complex Facility Coordinator, explained that the Adams Tennis Complex (ATC) staff would like to set parameters for tennis tournament bookings due to courts often being left unused during tournament play. Ms. Neal said that ATC staff would like to offer two tournament options for tournament directors to choose from, which will hopefully encourage them to pick the courts needed more intentionally, options for 150 or less participants and 151 or more participants. Also, staff would like to assess additional court rental fees when tournaments exceed the standard limits, as listed on the proposed tournament request form. The current \$6.00 tournament fee per participant will remain the same. Dr. Apigian asked if the \$6.00 participant fee covered participants for more than one day of the tournament. Ms. Neal said that it did. Dr. Apigian thought that was a good deal and asked if the fee had been in place for a long time. Ms. Neal said that before the ATC opened, the tournament fee per participant had been \$5.00. Dr. Apigian thought reevaluation of the fee was needed. Mr. LaLance asked if \$6.00 was the typical tournament participant fee for other facilities. Ms. Neal did not know but mentioned that there are a lot of different ways tennis facilities can structure their fees. Mr. Nate Williams, MPRD Director, said that staff will reevaluate the tournament player fee and make sure the ATC fees are comparable. Mr. LaLance made a motion to approve the tennis tournament parameters, with the additional fees as proposed. Dr. Bonner seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Ms. Allison Davidson, MPRD Fitness/Wellness Coordinator, proposed to add benefit-eligible family members of Murfreesboro City Schools staff to the Fit for Success program which would allow them to use Patterson Community Center and Sports Com, like their full-time City employee family members do. Ms. Davidson mentioned that the City of Murfreesboro full-time employees began using the Fit for Success program in 2006, followed by full-time Murfreesboro City Schools employees in 2011, and since 2016, benefit-eligible City of Murfreesboro family members have been allowed to join the program as well. Since 2016, there have been a lot of requests from City Schools staff to add their eligible family members to the program. Participants of the program are only responsible for paying the tax on the facility passes used through Fit for Success. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the addition of the City Schools benefit-eligible family members to the Fit for Success program. Dr. Bonner seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Ms. Brittany Garrett, Athletics Facility Supervisor, requested approval for the Athletics Division to accept sponsorships for the five new scoreboards that have been installed at StarPlex. Mr. Miller asked how many sponsor signs could be added. Ms. Garrett said there is space for two sponsors on each scoreboard. Two sponsorship options would be offered: \$1,500 for a one-year sponsorship and \$2,500 for a two-year sponsorship. The fees would cover installation of the sponsor signs and help with ball field needs. Mr. Roediger made a motion to approve the sponsorships and the fee options as proposed. Mr. Turner seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Kyle Goss, Aquatic Coordinator, requested approval for the Tennessee Valley V.A. Healthcare System to use Sports Com's pool to provide physical therapy services to veterans from the local V.A. Campus. Staff would like to establish a partnership between the City and the V.A. to allow this pool usage during nonpeak pool times when most pool lanes are unused. No additional staff will be needed for this accommodation. Mr. Goss further mentioned that there will be no charge for the veterans to experience therapeutic benefits while increasing their social wellness. Mr. LaLance made a motion to approve said pool usage. Dr. Bonner seconded, and motion passed by unanimous vote.

Ms. Melinda Tate gave the MPRD program and activities update. She announced that the BOGO sale for individual monthly and yearly passes at Sports Com and Patterson Community Center would run through Saturday, January 11th, at 5:00 p.m. The Coffee Marathon began January 1st and will end March 31st. Those interested may still sign up on runsignup.com (\$25.00 per person) and receive a commemorative coffee mug if they finish the eight-stop route at designated coffee shops/stops. Potluck Lunch and Learns are scheduled at Cannonsburgh on January 15th and February 19th. Ms. Tate further announced that a Women's Suffrage Educational Forum through Art and Discussion for ages 14 and up was scheduled at Bradley Academy Museum and Cultural Center on January 16th from 6:00-8:00 p.m., a free event. Then, the Murfreesboro City Schools African American Cultural Night (also free) is scheduled for January 23rd from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Patterson Community Center. Beginning line dance classes for ages 16 and up will be held at Cannonsburgh February 6 – March 18 for \$30.00. Single classes are \$10 each. Ms. Tate mentioned that MPRD Summer Camp registrations will begin on March 2nd beginning at 8:00 a.m. online and at the main office, Sports Com and Patterson Community Center. The Black History: Past, Present, and Future event will be open to the public at Bradley Academy Museum and Cultural Center on February 1st, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., and will be free to attend. There will be displays, music, authentic dishes and history

shared. Ms. Tate reminded the commission that the Athletics Division always has activities going on, like volleyball, racquetball, softball, racquetball, and pickleball, as well as other sports. Additionally, Ms. Tate announced that the public was invited to attend the St. Clair Street Senior Center's open house (free) on January 23rd from 9:30-11:00 a.m. And, Ms. Tate stated that Murfreesboro Performs' production of *Little Mermaid, Jr.*, was scheduled for February 13-16 at Patterson Community Center, with auditions for *Frozen, Jr.* coming up January 29th and 31st at Patterson's Washington Theatre.

Ms. Tate reminded everyone that more information regarding MPRD activities/programs may be found in the department brochure, the *Rec Connection*, on the City's website, and on multiple City Facebook pages.

Being no more business, the meeting was adjourned.

Adjourned: 12:40 p.m.

Minutes Approved:

D. Edwin Jernigan, Jr., MPRC Chair

Nate Williams, MPRD Director

Holiday Special Revenue Report 2008 - 2020

Patterson Park	Month	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
BOGO	December	\$ 78,540.30	\$ 97,613.55	\$ 101,810.49	\$ 104,088.57	\$ 98,452.55	\$ 107,876.55
25% Discount	January	\$ 44,911.90	\$ 41,436.10	\$ 38,130.71	\$ 46,015.26	\$ 41,443.62	\$ 47,678.50
	Total	\$ 123,452.20	\$ 139,049.65	\$ 139,941.20	\$ 150,103.83	\$ 139,896.17	\$ 155,555.05

Patterson Park	Month	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
BOGO	December	\$ 106,885.60	\$109,612.91	\$ 116,892.19	\$ 90,023.54	\$ 85,083.14	\$ 89,281.11
25% Discount	January	\$ 36,193.97	\$ 37,034.09	\$ 44,297.36	\$ 85,104.85	\$ 79,953.61	\$ 79,281.82
	Total	\$ 143,079.57	\$146,647.00	\$ 161,189.55	\$ 175,128.39	\$ 165,036.75	\$ 168,562.93

Sports Com	Month	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
BOGO	December	\$ 68,903.85	\$ 78,969.55	\$ 98,290.42	\$ 104,342.56	\$ 111,379.24	\$ 105,896.19
25% Discount	January	\$ 32,823.87	\$ 29,593.28	\$ 35,161.54	\$ 42,066.06	\$ 42,215.42	\$ 39,116.58
	Total	\$ 101,727.72	\$ 108,562.83	\$ 133,451.96	\$ 146,408.62	\$ 153,594.66	\$ 145,012.77

Sports Com	Month	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
BOGO	December	\$ 106,078.02	\$122,642.74	\$ 119,499.67	\$ 105,093.03	\$ 118,327.38	\$ 110,944.38
25% Discount	January	\$ 31,511.93	\$ 36,161.70	\$ 35,202.83	\$ 87,828.87	\$ 102,083.11	\$ 107,792.07
	Total	\$ 137,589.95	\$158,804.44	\$ 154,702.50	\$ 192,921.90	\$ 220,410.49	\$ 218,736.45

BOGO for December and January started during 2017-18 special.



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For Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Commission:

RE: Adjustment of McFadden Community Center's Regular Hours

Background

The McFadden Community Center's normal business hours have been from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday when the Murfreesboro City Schools are in session and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. when the Murfreesboro City Schools are closed. However, since the increased demand for available space for pickleball in the mornings, as well as adult league basketball and other athletic and Community Center programs in the evenings, the McFadden Community Center has been in operation for those programs and events from 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. most of the week year-round to accommodate these needs.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of adjusting the hours to 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. year-round would be minimal as Community Center staff is already currently operating at those approximate hours to accommodate for league play, practices and youth development programs.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Commission approve the McFadden Community Center year-round hours of Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sincerely,

Michael Philpott
Recreation Facility Coordinator



January 27, 2020

Chair and Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Commission:

RE: Sunday Operating Hours Adjustment for Adams Tennis Complex

As an item for the MPRC agenda of 2/5/2020, it is recommended that the Sunday operating hours at the Adams Tennis Complex be adjusted.

Background

Currently the Sunday hours for the Adams Tennis Complex (ATC) are 11:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. during the months of October – April and are 11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. during the months of May – September. Staff has monitored the current Sunday operating hours during the past year and believes that an adjustment is needed.

Fiscal Impact

It will not add to the overall employee expense.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the MPRC approve adjusting the Sunday operating hours at the ATC to 11:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. year-round to better serve the customers.

Gary Arbit
ATC Facility Supervisor



January 31, 2020

For Murfreesboro Parks and Recreation Commission:

RE: Patterson Park Community Center STEAM Room

As an item for the agenda of the February Commission Meeting, it is recommended that Patterson Park Community Center staff discuss the STEAM Room project.

Background

- Partnership with the MGL Library
- Provide a vibrant space for the community to access technology
- Create a versatile technically advanced room by converting an existing meeting room space at PPCC
- Facilitate trainings, create programs, and teach STEAM-related classes for youth and adults of all ages

Fiscal Impact

Fees will model the Technology Center by providing Free access.

Recommendation

N/A

Attachments

Slide Show Presentation

Gernell Jenkins
Superintendent