

Maryville Park and Recreation Committee Notes

June 16, 2025 @ 6:00 pm

Present: Tom Fitzgerald, Julie Clark, Mike Spillers, Mayor Wayne White, Bob Hunter, Sharon Petty, Lori Becker, Ralph Hylton

Motion was made to approve the May minutes by Ralph Hylton. Seconded by Bob Hunter.

Past Events : Mike Spillers reported that Meg 2 was not only a bad movie but it was inappropriate for our intended viewers. It was way too violent and not enjoyable to watch. The screen worked out great. Parking, however, needs to be blocked off earlier in the day. It was suggested also to put up bins to block kayakers walking through the crowd.

Reports/Activities :

Future events: Kayaking Day. Sharon asked volunteers to arrive at 10:00am. She reported that reservations have started to pick up but it has been slow. New flyers have been developed and 2 more have been designed. They will be sent to all members in order to share it with the community. Sharon asked that members share it on Facebook and share it on groups within Facebook. Sharon will pick up waters and sandwiches for volunteers. We discussed workout groups that may be interested in helping in this event as a sort of workout for them. Jill suggested 557 Cross Fit. Mike indicated that he will arrive at 9:30am to ensure the trucks follow the path to the lake he has established. The Maryville city phones continue to be a problem. Messages are getting cut off. Shellie contacted the CHS Wrestling coach to get more volunteers to move kayaks.

Next Event: Moana 2 Movie: It will begin at 7:30 instead of 7 on July 19. Mike asked if anyone had any ideas for activities before the movie started. Wayne suggested an obstacle course or a bounce house. Shellie found Gateway House which has an obstacle course for \$275.00. Wayne approved the rental. Mike also mentioned that in the case of rain, we can easily reschedule because we are not paying mailing costs since the movie is downloaded from the screen.

Mayor's Comments : Wayne reiterated that to get events well attended, we might need to spend more money than in the past and that is ok with him. He does not want to do things cheaply. He also mentioned that he spoke to Anne Matthews who said the Maryville Farmer's Market is struggling. She will be attending our meeting next month to discuss ways to promote the market.

Village Administrator Tonya Flannery : On vacation

Trustees Comments : Julie Clark informed us that Tonya was able to get a \$1000.00 grant for the Fishing Derby and for restocking the lake. Mike told us that the lake will be getting a treatment to kill the algae in the next week or two. The dying algae can sometimes kill some fish so don't be surprised if you see dead fish in the lake.

Committee Updates :

Pickleball Reservation Numbers : 369

Build Maryville : October 16th is a date being thrown out as a possible new date for the Music Fest. This would be October 16th of 2026. Julie has to approach the Kiwanis about this. We are checking out tents to rent for the event and the committee has decided to charge individuals for the event instead of relying on sponsors. Past sponsors will get free wristbands and will be displayed for their past sponsorship.

Disc Golf: A new development has occurred where we can't obtain the actual baskets for the course. They come from Canada and Canada is holding shipments up due to the tariffs. We have no idea when they will come in.

Old Business :

Bee Hotels : They are all up. We realize since this was a boy scouts project, once they are finished, they are done with it. It is now our responsibility to maintain. The posts can not be stained because the stain would poison the bees.

Business Cards : They have ordered 250 and will probably be in for next month's meeting. They will be used to pass out at our events.

Parks and Recreation Budget: 3-4 attended the meeting. The budget will go into effect for the next budget cycle.

New Business :

Committee Calendar: It was displayed and changes were made. Bob asked the committee if we should give out fish trophies at the Fishing Derby. Shellie thinks we can get them cheaply.

Potential Projects :

Kayak deck/kayak rental : no further progress. It was agreed that we need to get the deck installed first.

Sand Volleyball : no further progress

Dog Park: To be discussed in the future

Local Events:

Museum: Open 1st and 3rd Saturday 12-2 pm

Farmer's Market: Thursdays 5-7 pm

Motion to Adjourn: Tom Fitzgerald. Second: Jill Hartsoe. All in favor