

Maryville Park and Recreation Committee Notes

September 15, 2025

Present: Tom Fitzgerald, ~~Jill Hartsee~~, Bob Hunter, Shellie Lee, Sharon Petty, Mike Spillars, Jeremy Stone, ~~Kathy Hall, Jeanne Pysz, Sheri Mundy~~, Lori Becker, Ralph Hylton, Trustee Julie Clark, Mayor Wayne White

We have one spot open on the committee.

Motion was made to approve the August minutes by Jeremy Stone and seconded by Ralph Hylton.

Correspondence : Prior member Jessica sent a card announcing the birth of her child.

Past Events :

Summer Concert: The Troy Community Band played on September 13th. It was a hot night with around 60-65 in attendance.

Mayor and Tonya's Comments :

Tonya has applied for several grants and we've recently been awarded a \$2,500 grand that will help with items for the fishing tournament. She also indicated that the pond will be restocked the morning of the fishing derby.

Tonya is finishing the OSLAD grant which has to be approved by the board. There is a meeting Wednesday evening at 5:30pm at city hall for anyone to attend. Wayne has requested a letter of support from Park and Rec. Mike will prepare this with Tonya's assistance.

Trustee Comments: None.

Committee Updates:

Pickleball numbers: numbers were around 281 with much of August being 90+ degrees.

Build Maryville: The committee met and next year's Musicfest will be moved to October 17, 2026. Mayor Wayne White announced that the lowest bid from contractors (we received 4 bids) is around \$1.2M for the entire park remodel. He proposed doing the project in sections with the electrical starting first. However, we will reopen the bidding and reach across the river to hopefully get more involved.

New Business:

The frisbee golf baskets are in along with the signage. We are looking at a fall installation and Tom wants to be involved when they start the project since he knows the layout. We are looking at a potential spring opening kickoff. We will discuss ideas for the grand opening once we have more information as to the timeline.

The Lakeview Acres bench has been installed on the north side of the playground.

The fishing derby is on September 20th from 8:00am-1:00pm and we will need all hands on deck! Food has been taken care of and bait reserved. Mike will pick up the bait at Casey's at 8:30pm Friday prior to the event. Please arrive no later than 9:15am to help with this event! We need at least 2 people at the registration desk.

The ADA swing has been installed. Wayne will check with Mark Zavaglia on ideas for the plaque and inscription for the dedication to Whitney Zavaglia.

Summer concert series:

- Friends of Bluegrass is playing on September 21st at Fireman's Park. Tom, Mike and Julie will attend this concert.
- Flip the Frog is playing on October 4, 2025. We discussed doing a joint event with Lyle's Tavern and possibly having tables set up in the street. Mike will discuss this with the owner and Julie will speak with Tonya about it. More info to follow.

Bark in the Park is scheduled for October 18, 2025, during the Kiwanis Fallfest. Tom is chairing this and will need 3-4 judges. Please let him know if you are available. We also need a doggy bag station at Fireman's Park prior to the event.

The Turkey Trot is on Nov 15. Tom says the registration is up so we will start promoting this heavily after our October meeting.

Jr. Service flower garden: The Collinsville Jr Service group will start planting flowers near a section of landscaping close to the bathrooms near the bike trail in early October. They know they need to service this area and keep it looking good. We also talked about allowing them to put a sign stating Collinsville Jr. Service Club.

We have been advised that memorials for the park are "full" meaning no more benches. We need to brainstorm some other ideas for memorials in our various parks. We are asking our members to research and send ideas to Shellie ahead of our October meeting and then we can discuss and implement some other ideas.

Discovery series: we need to start getting ideas for the series that starts in January.

The plaque in the park needs to be repaired.

Potential Projects:

Kayak dock: The regular dock needs to be replaced, and Matt is getting bids to include a kayak launch. Tonya is also researching a grant to help with cost.

Dog Park: No further updates.

Local Events:

The weekend of September 19-20 is Italianfest in Collinsville so we hope you get to go and enjoy it!

Adjournment: Approved by Tom Fitzgerald and seconded by Jeremy Stone.

Next Meeting: October 20, 2025 at 6:00pm Village Hall.