



**TOWN OF SMYRNA
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
AGENDA
September 15, 2026
Smyrna Outdoor Adventure Center Lecture Hall
5:00 PM**



1. Citizen Comments

The Town's Public Comment Period shall be reserved for those citizens that have signed up to address a Board or Committee at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, pursuant to the Town's Public Comment Policy. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes. Additional comments may be submitted in writing.

2. Call to Order

3. Prayer

4. Approval or Correction of Minutes

- a. August 18th, 2026 Park Advisory Board Meeting

5. Old Business

- a. Project Update
 - Completed projects to date: paving, temporary fencing, and security cameras at Lee Victory Recreation Park; Hilltop-Rosenwald Park Pavilion roof
 - Cedar Stone Park Phase 2A — Bids open October 1st for grading and utilities
 - Sharp Springs Paving
 - Rotary Soccer Park Design
 - Hilltop-Rosenwald Park Playground RFP
 - Smyrna Golf Course Clubhouse Restroom Design and ADA compliance

6. New Business

- a.
 - Top Gun Night Run recap
 - SOAC Exhibit Overview (Sonic Sensation and The Robot Zoo)
 - Discussion of semi-permanent exhibits in the future

7. Reports of Officers, Committees, or Staff

- a. Director's Report
- b. Communications

8. Other/Round Table Discussion

9. Adjournment

SMYRNA PARKS AND RECREATION PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

MINUTES OF August 18th, 2026

The monthly Smyrna Parks and Recreation Parks Advisory Board Meeting was held on August 18th 2026, at the Smyrna Golf Course in Smyrna, Tennessee. Chairperson Christina Treglia called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

PRESENT: Fourteen people were present: Dalton Hidalgo; Megan Dietsch; Chairperson Christina Treglia; Mark Hardy; Michael Potts; Mike Moss, Director; Jimmy Stitt, Assistant Director; David Santucci, Town Manager; Todd Spearman, Assistant Town Manager; Kyle Evans, Town Attorney; Scott Merritt, Golf Director; Courtney Morgan; Ginger Levinson; and Christina Manus, staff.

ABSENT: Molly Jennings, Mayor Mary Esther Reed, Councilmember H.G. Cole, Tom Sage, and Megan Dietsch

SUMMARY

Citizens' Comments: none

Review and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Nicole Green made a motion to approve the minutes from June's Park Advisory Board meeting, and Michael Potts seconded the motion. The board approved the minutes unanimously.

Old Business:

July Parks and Recreation Month – video

Mike Moss announced that July was National Parks and Recreation Month, and our town's Patrick Cella and Heather Kent in the Media Department made an exceptional video highlighting the Parks and Golf Departments. Mike shared the video with the board. Mike also shared the recent video showcasing the entire town that was used during the State of the Town.

New Business:

Golf Course Presentation – Director Scott Merritt

Scott distributed a report that highlighted the updates for Fiscal Year 2026 and various projects.

Emphases included:

- 62,600 green fees
- \$2.2 million in revenue
- 26 corporate outings including the annual United Way scramble that raised \$100,000
- 73 juniors in the Summer First Tee program

- 10 veterans through PGA Hope Program
- Upgrades to the water line that feeds the clubhouse
- A filter has been installed in the reuse line for irrigation
- 15 carts purchased; 25 carts are ordered
- ADA compliance work is underway
- Restroom renovations underway
- Leveled and placed sod at tee box #17
- Cart path repaving on the front 9 holes

Scott also shared some fun stats, like 7,000 sleeves of golf balls, 1,000 bags of tees, and 61,000 drinks sold at the Golf Course. Scott thanked Michael Southerland and the entire Parks and Recreation staff for their help with the grading work and course upgrades. Mike Moss also highlighted several course enhancements, including the installation of outdoor ceiling fans, new outdoor and indoor furniture, replaced gates, fresh paint, and landscaping improvements. He mentioned plans to further enhance the clubhouse restrooms and improve the driving range, including adding coverings and lighting.

Michael Potts also praised Mike Southerland for his help loaning the skid steer to the Police Department.

Jimmy Stitt announced that before the merger, Golf and Parks were merely acquaintances. However, since joining forces, we have truly become one cohesive team that supports one another. The Golf Department staff has also provided valuable assistance to the Parks Department. He highlighted that Pat Hunter, an employee with over 30 years of service, has been an excellent resource for parks maintenance.

Scott concluded the presentation by explaining that the golf course is currently at full capacity. With the assistance of Golf Now, they have maximized all available tee times, and he is proud of the golf course's current status.

Director's Report:

Mike Moss summarized the Director's Report, highlighting several key points: our Independence Day Celebration attracted over 18,000 visitors; registration for the Top Gun Night Run is filling up quickly; a new roof and wood decking has been installed on the Hilltop-Rosenwald Shelter; the Parks Department ended the fiscal year with our highest-ever revenue earnings; and the Splash and Dash and Family Float programs were a success.

Communications:

Mike reviewed upcoming events and programs.

Reports of Officers, Committees, or Staff – Round Table Discussion

Town Manager David Santucci reviewed the recent Town Council meeting and addressed several important topics. These included sidewalk improvements on Rock Springs Road, rezoning along Old Nashville Highway, and expanding water treatment capacity. Additionally, the SOAC's upcoming 2027 exhibit will be "The Robot Zoo," on display for six months.

The meeting concluded with a tour of the Smyrna Golf Course's improvements.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

September 17th, 2026

1. Maintenance staff have remained busy with field and facility preparation, maintenance, assisting the golf course team, and mowing grass.
2. The SOAC recent programs and operations.
3. Diana Health is sponsoring SOAC fall break activities with a \$500 donation.
 - Campfire and Night Hike
 - 250th Day of the Year Celebration with Abraham Lincoln
 - Kayak Float
 - Exhibit demo and installation of Sonic Sensation
 - The SOAC team will again participate in Waterfest at Old Fort Park on September 11th.
4. The SOAC management team met with Jennings and Rebecca Jones Foundation representatives regarding a grant application.
5. The Golf Course remains busy with play and operations and maintaining the course. Recent improvements include:
 - Cart path paving on the front 9 holes
 - Front 9 restroom improvements
 - Drain installation on hole #2
 - Painting, stump removal, and fence repairs
6. Recreation Leagues started in recent weeks. Some games and practices have been rescheduled due to the heat index.
7. The Food Truck Friday at Cedar Stone Park had good attendance last week. This program continues to progress and is a good service to SW Smyrna residents.
8. Staff is working with USTA regarding youth matches this fall. Staff continues to work with USTA in regards to more tennis structure in the Smyrna Community.
9. The Smyrna Baseball League worked with Nevco to livestream games at Todd Lane and Cedar Stone Park.
10. The Aquatic Season has officially ended. Attendance and Revenue were strong again this season, and we appreciate staff working through a hot season.
11. The Blakelynn Foundation Brave Run was held at Sharp Springs and resulted in more than 700 participants.

Other: HIP Costume Contest judges

Communications August 2026



September 18	Soundsational Kids Day at the SOAC
September 19	Play Local TN Youth Tournament at Lee Victory Recreation Park
September 19	Autumn Animals at Sharp Springs Natural Area
September 19	Sonic Sensation Exhibit Opening
September 25	Smyrna Depot District Car Show on Front Street
September 26	Perfect Game Baseball Tournament at Cedar Stone Park
September 26	Depot Days on Front Street
October 5	Fall Festivities at Sharp Springs Natural Area
October 6	Fall Break Programs at the SOAC (7 th)
October 9	Fright Nights at the SOAC (10 th)
October 10	Play Local TN Softball Tournament at Volunteer Park (11 th)
October 16	Adult Paint Night at the Smyrna Train Depot
October 17	Cider at Cedar at Cedar Stone Park
October 24	Halloween in the Park at Sharp Springs Natural Area
October 30	Family Campfire at Sharp Springs Natural Area
November 24	Christmas Lighting Ceremony at the Smyrna Train Depot
December 6	Smyrna Christmas Parade