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MEETING TYPE: Board of Alderman

DATE: August 6th, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Jessica St. Martin, Parks and Recreation Director

ITEM TYPE: Report

AGENDA SECTION: Departmental Reports

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

DETAILS:

Events

- The Senior Luncheon scheduled for August 5th will be hot dogs, chips, and dessert.
- Cruise In on August 7th. DJ, Harper's Happy Hour, KC's Kitchen, Terry's Dawgs, and Gold Hill Slushies scheduled to attend.
- 125 Anniversary Event is scheduled for August 29th from 4:00-10:00. Gary Lowder and Smoking Hot Band will perform from 7:00-10:00. We have a total of 25 craft and sales vendors, 10 food and specialty item vendors, and the Grove Cartel Brewery. Free activities include a Fun House, Rock Climbing Wall, Ferris Wheel, Face Painting, Balloon Twisting, and 9 hole mini golf. Mobile Gem Mining and Mobile Build A Buddy will be available for a fee. Magician Fletcher Roberts will perform two (30) minute shows, and Gary Lowder and Smoking Hot will perform from 7:00-10:00. F&M Trolley will be available for shuttles to the event from parking at The Landis Pool, Town Hall, Parkdale, and Corriher Lipe. There will be historical artifacts and photos on display along with a decorated photo-op area.

Event Calendar 2026

125th Celebration- August 29th

National Night Out /Touch A Truck- September 25th

Fall Fest / Trunk or Treat- October 24th

South Rowan Parade / Tree Lighting- November 24th

Campfire Christmas- December 12th

Cruise In Dates: August 7th, September 4th

Senior Lunch & Bingo Dates: August 5th, October 7th, December 2nd

Park Operations

- The park staff continues routine maintenance on trails and campsites. Park Staff is taking over mowing and grounds keeping at Linn and Graham Fields, and Landis Pool.
- Beaver St. Playground has been relocated from the old tennis court area to its new shaded, grassy location and the mulch has been refreshed. New benches and trashcans will be added and quotes have been received for new fencing.
- Staff is working on the plans and designs for the future dog park.

Pool Operations:

- Current Total Memberships: 106 Current Total Members: 448
- Current Daily Occupancy- Lowest: 31 (weather related) Highest: 115
- Total Private Party Bookings: 8
- Reminder beginning the week of August 10th, staffing becomes extremely limited. Lifeguards have left to return to school and attendants enrolled in local high schools will resume that week. The pool hours will be Thursday-Sunday 12:00-6:00. The facility will be staffed with an attendant, supervisor, and limited lifeguarded hours. In past years, after school starts back, the pool only opened on Saturday and Sundays. This schedule will allow members to have additional days before the pool closes on September 7th.

Community Engagement / Staff Interactions:

Park Office Walk In – 1,658

Park Office Call In – 212

Apps/emails – 15

Issues / Complaints – 0

Campsite Reservations: 27 Shelter Rentals: 1
Annual Passes Sold: 3 NC State License: 8

Daily Fishing Passes Sold: 644
Boat Registration: 13

