

May 6 Meeting Minutes

- Ms. Fenton called meeting to order.
- Members present: Reba Smart, Kathy Meadows, John Neel, Josh Cummins, Charlton McCoy, Jim Williamson, Robin Boyd, Brad Epperley, Mike Saylor, Diane Fenton, Tim Wilson
- Ms. Smart made the motion to accept the minutes from April and Mr. Williamson second. April minutes were approved.
- Citizen Comments – Mr. Chris Waltz wanted to make a point that our staff does everything that the tourism guy basically said he did. Mr. Waltz referenced an interview with WSLs news by the Tourism Director. [Montgomery County looking to be the next sports recreation destination \(wsls.com\)](https://www.wsls.com/story/news/local/2024/05/06/montgomery-county-sports-recreation-destination/7618444002/)
- Directors Report- Active membership Is up to 2872 and attendance was 5540. No changes to the Adopt-a- Spot program.
- Athletic Special Events- We hosted one AAU Tournament this past month, with 40 teams. We hosted 2024 State Gymnastics Event and over 500 participants. We hosted three outdoor tournaments this month, two baseball and one softball. Each tournament had at least 30 teams in it. We hosted the RU Baseball Clinic again this year, with 85 participants, the largest we have ever had. We have the Mike Young Basketball Camp the last two weeks in June, CHS Volleyball Camp in July, and our Recreation Basketball Camp scheduled. The Virginia Tech Women's Basketball Team has set their date for the weekend of July 26. As of right now we do not have a date for the CHS Football Camp. We are hosting our 9th year of Jills Buddy Camp the last week of June. Tony L Huddleston is going to be October 5 at Izaak Walton the rain date will be the following week. Senior Olympics will be using Harkrader Field 2 on Tuesday, April though early June.
- Youth Athletics- In volleyball we have six teams in Juniors and 11 teams in Seniors, with an overall with 154 participants. Baseball/Softball are a little lower than normal, but we have an overall of 209 participants in baseball and 35 participants in softball. We are in the planning stages of the Cal Ripken State Tournament July 3-8 at Harkrader Sports Complex.
- Farmers Market/Special Events- We will be opening the Market up in a couple weeks with the new time of 2-6 p.m. Our market manger just completed the VAFMA Market Manger Certification Course and is certified. Community Garden is still going very good with 14 plots. We had our first ever Egg-Streme Easter Egg Party with nearly 950 people. We collected 1349 food items that were donated. The Great Easter Egg Hunt was at Kiwanis Park with 1200 people attending. We had our Kickoff Festival in the back parking lot and had about 500 participants. After the Kickoff we hosted CHS After Prom. We will have our first Rockin Main Saturday, May 8, with Noah Spencer and Jared Stout Band. We have had to move the layout up the street to the bank area. We have started working on our Fourth of July event layout. There is possibly some construction going on Hickok Street during this time frame. We were the host agency for the Senior Games, and we had 140 seniors participating. We had our Spring Shred A Thon the last week in April, it was huge. We had to shut down 15 minutes before the closing time because the trucks were full. We had 22,320 pounds of shredded paper.
- Community Program- Our karate class has six children in it this session. Our Adult exercise classes have been doing very well this month and averaging about 15 participants in them. We held our Vin Etching Program this past month with 11 vehicles. Our dog obedience classes still holding strong with nine dogs/owners. We have started our Cooking and Craft Class for IDA.
- Outdoor Facilities- It is mowing season for our athletic fields. We have gotten our facilities ready for spring/summer months. The Lions Club donated 38 trees to be planted along the trail. They have also donated the installation for those trees. We have 24 teams in Church Volleyball League. We have 13 teams in our Co Ed Volleyball League. We will starting our Adult Softball Leagues soon.
- Spring into Summer will be May 23, 11 a.m. at the Christiansburg Huckleberry Park. We will unveil the plaque for the park and then activities for the public.
- Student Report-No Report
- New Business- No Report
- Old Business- Rates for Basketball Courts & Athletic Fields- Director Epperley presented what other locations rates are for facilities, we are currently on the lower end of the rates. Mr. Saylor makes a motion that members take the month to look over the numbers and come back next month to either maintain or increase rates, Ms. Smart seconds the motion, members vote unanimously.
- Meeting adjourned, next meeting June 3, 2024.