TOWN OF LOUISVILLE
Recreation Advisory Board
June 23, 2026
6:00 p.m.

Present: David Reece – Chairman, Karen Lewis – Secretary, Jill Pugh – Mayor, Stan Painter

Absent: Brad Headrick

Others Present: Amy Callahan & 7 citizens

Karen Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION to approve the minutes from May by Secretary Lewis. Second by Painter.
VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Mayor's Report: The bike parade is scheduled for Tuesday, June 30, 2026. The Fall Festival is scheduled for September 12, 2026.

Old Business

Disc Golf Course

The Board reviewed the proposed disc golf course layout and discussed the progress made on clearing and preparing the course. The Board expressed appreciation for course designer Will and his work on the project. Members noted that he had visited the site several times, had been responsive throughout the design process, and provided his services at a reasonable cost. Barry Loope was also recognized for his assistance with clearing the wooded areas.

Amy Callahan presented concerns on behalf of Barry Loope regarding the location of Hole 18, which was positioned near the maintenance shop, as well as Holes 3 and 17 in relation to the walking trail. Particular concern was expressed about Hole 18 because of maintenance activities. The Board discussed relocating Hole 18 while maintaining the general flow of the course.

The Board also discussed the interaction between the disc golf course and the existing walking trail. Members referenced other area disc golf courses where walking paths are incorporated into or cross the course and discussed the expectation that players wait for pedestrians before throwing.

The Board discussed how tee locations would be identified. Each tee pad would include a post and sign, with approximately 36 posts anticipated for the course.

Several options for tee pad construction were discussed, including concrete pads and framed pads consisting of compacted crusher run or limestone covered with a durable artificial turf material. The compacted limestone and turf option had been recommended by representatives from Blount County. The Board discussed the possibility of using different construction methods depending on the location, including concrete in areas where vehicles may drive over the pads.

The Board also considered the potential impact of the course on parking during events. It was estimated that approximately three parking spaces could be affected by tee pad locations.

MOTION to approve the proposed disc golf course layout contingent upon relocation of Hole 18 near and to pay the invoice to Will Shusterick by Secretary Lewis. Second by Painter. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Public Comments – Non-Agenda Items

Concerns were raised regarding maintenance conditions at the dog park. Areas surrounding the benches were reported to need attention, including mesh material coming up around one of the bench areas, muddy conditions, and tall grass around one of the seating areas that had not been weed-eaten or otherwise maintained.

MOTION by Secretary Lewis to adjourn the meeting. Second by Painter. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.