

RESOLUTION 19-03

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT THREE MEMBERS TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SPRING HILL

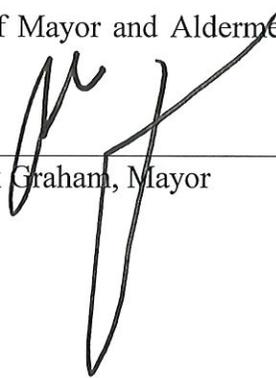
WHEREAS, there are three vacant positions on the Spring Hill Parks and Recreation Commission; and

WHEREAS, the vacant positions were advertised and applications were received.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee that the following applicants shall be appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission:

<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Expiration of Term</u>
<u>Emily Shell, 303 Heriot Ct., Spring Hill, TN 37174</u>	<u>December 31, 2020</u>
<u>Greg Bearden, 677 Lancaster Dr., Spring Hill, TN 37174</u>	<u>December 31, 2022</u>
<u>Rocky Jackson, 4013 Williford Way, Spring Hill, TN 37174</u>	<u>December 31, 2022</u>

Passed and adopted by the Spring Hill Board of Mayor and Aldermen this 22nd day of January, 2019.



Rick Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:



April Goad, City Recorder

LEGAL FORM APPROVED:



Patrick Carter, City Attorney

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #25644

Date Submitted: 12/11/2018

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Last Name

Lister

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City

Spring Hill

State

TN

Zip

37174

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615-595-3542

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

adamlister84@gmail.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

Tennesseans for Student Success

Job Title

President & CEO

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

I have never served on a governing body or in elected office. I have however served as a staff member of the Tennessee General Assembly and a local economic and community development agency in Kentucky. Currently, my job focuses on engaging the Tennessee General Assembly in support of Tennessee's public schools. I have lived in Middle Tennessee for most of my life and in Spring Hill since June of 2016. I have a lot of experience in state and local government as well as a passion for supporting my community through service. I have been looking for opportunities to more actively engage in support of this growing and vibrant community and hope to have an opportunity to serve in this capacity.

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

Church of the Nativity, 3 years
Expect More Achieve More Coalition, 5 years
Boy Scouts of America Mid-TN adult volunteer, 4 years
Nashville Chamber of Commerce Membership Committee, 3 years

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

Early in my career I worked for a local economic and community development organization and managed a number of grant-funded projects to build and improve parks. It was fun, rewarding work to improve our community and the opportunity to again support that work in my home community is exciting. My family and I also regularly use several of the facilities within Spring Hill and I believe my skill set and experience would benefit the commission and help to ensure fulfillment of its mission. Finally, as an Eagle Scout, I am eager to encourage the use of public space and parks to help kids learn how to appreciate the outdoors. But again, above all, I want to have a role in supporting my community and hope that this could be an opportunity to improve the experience of residents in the city of Spring Hill.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Eagle Scout
Nashville Emerging Leader Award nominee, 2018 and 2017

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

As I mentioned earlier, and above all, service to my community. I have no interest in elected office but do have a desire to serve my community. I believe my experience in government and in working with the Tennessee General Assembly can be a great asset to the Commission. Spring Hill has some of the best facilities I have seen in communities of similar size and as our community continues to grow, it will be important to manage the growth and maintenance of those facilities so they may be enjoyed for years to come by our current residents and the thousands more that are likely to call Spring Hill home in the next few years.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

I love this community and hope to have the opportunity to support its leaders and staff in service to the Commission. I have excellent relationships with the state legislators representing this area and can be an asset in Commission dealings with the state legislature. I also believe my experience as an executive, managing a budget and payroll, and reporting to a board, have given me an invaluable sense for the role of a commissioner and I believe I can also help support the staff in support of world-class parks and recreation facilities and events. I hope to have the opportunity to serve and welcome a call to more deeply discuss my interest. Finally, and while I deal with the legislature often, none of the issues in my work portfolio are in any way related to parks and recreation.

On the question of "How many Parks and Recreation Commission meetings have you ever attended?" In Spring Hill, I have attended one meeting. Throughout my career and in other communities, that number is higher and is reflected below. I use that number to illustrate my awareness of the process and format of these meetings but I wanted to include this explanation so I am not confusing reviewers of this application.

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

- Yes
- No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

City policy directs that all appointed advisory board members do not vote on matters where a potential conflict of interest exists. Would be willing to abstain from voting if such conflict arises?

- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

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By signing below, I acknowledge that I am a resident of Spring Hill, over the age of 18 and all the information is true and accurate.

Adam Lister

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #25256

Date Submitted: 10/5/2018

First Name

Derek

Last Name

Merrill

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3779 Kedron Road

Address2

City

Spring Hill

State

TN

Zip

37174

Phone Number

6155132991

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

isellspringhill@realtor.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

Benchmark Realty

Job Title

Realtor

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

Merchants of Spring Hill 1994-1996
Chamber of Commerce 1996-2004
Historic Commission 2009-2016

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

Founding member Imagination Library of Spring Hill(Dolly Pardon Foundation)
Spring Hill Art Center board member...off and on for many years.

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

Realtor in good standing with Williamson County Association of Realtors since 19994 and at present.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

ABR, CRS, GRI, Real estate designations.

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

I have come to realize that one of the best ways to "Unite our Town" is by focusing on ways to help people connect with each other.
Major infrastructure projects like road improvements can take decades to complete. A quicker way to accomplish community is through the implementation of our existing "Side Walks and Green Way Plan".
It is my desire to assist Parks and Recreation by bringing my passion for moving as many of these quality of life improvements to the attention of our city and the citizens that live here.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

- Yes
- No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

City policy directs that all appointed advisory board members do not vote on matters where a potential conflict of interest exists. Would be willing to abstain from voting if such conflict arises?

- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

2

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Derek D Merrill

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #25082

Date Submitted: 9/10/2018

First Name

Emily

Last Name

Shell

Address1

303 heroit ct

Address2

City

Spring hill

State

Tn

Zip

37174

Phone Number

2709967223

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

Ejbsocccergirl@yahoo.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

N/a

Job Title

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

Park supervisor for Warren county parks and recreation bowling green ky 2011-2012

Admin assistant for City parks and recreation Portland tn 2012-2014

Wellness and fitness assistant coordinator for Williamson county parks and recreation Spring Hill tn 2013-2015

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

I have been involved somehow in some form with parks and recreation since I was 21 years old. I offer unique skills having being in many many positions in the department. I have literally started from the complete bottom you may say and have worked my way up to what may be considered higher up positions. I have been involved in scorekeeping, field maintenance, park supervising , pool work, tournament supervisors, cleanup crew, lifeguard supervisor, admin work, facility front desk, programmer, fitness and wellness, and facility supervisor. I have seen how parks and recreation is operated and I would even love to one day be an assistant director or director.

My talents are I am very hard working, passionate, punctual, reliable, and straight forward. I would love to get back involved in parks and be able to serve my community.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

I am very passionate about parks and recreation. I am very passionate about being able to serve the public via events and facilities that they spend their tax money on. I don't want anyone thinking that the parks department is just a waste of money or for lazy people. I love using budgets and creative ideas to get people and families outside. I want to get people involved in the public and serve them with fun events and facilities. I hate seeing parks not being taken care of or events getting low turn out because people didn't know about them or they get a bad rap. Even the big events I find a lot of people are surprised when they find out it is put on by their local parks department. I want to change the mindset that parks and recreation is useless and I want all kids, people and families to get out and involved afterall it is their tax money being utilized and I want people to take advantage and have fun with that.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

I have been involved with parks and recreation ever since graduating college. I hold a bachelor degree with a minor in coaching. I've been involved for about 5-6 years and left my last position upon the birth of my first child. I have been a stay at home mom ever since and now have two boys who I love bringing to parks and events however I get upset when I see certain events get cancelled or not hosted or etc. even though I don't know all the reasonings behind those decisions I feel like I want to get back involved for the community and use my voice and opinions of myself and my fellow neighbors of Spring Hill to keep the parks department thriving and beneficial for the greater population of our city.

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

Yes

No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

City policy directs that all appointed advisory board members do not vote on matters where a potential conflict of interest exists. Would be willing to abstain from voting if such conflict arises?

- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

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By signing below, I acknowledge that I am a resident of Spring Hill, over the age of 18 and all the information is true and accurate.

Emily Shell

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #23498

Date Submitted: 4/3/2018

First Name

Gerald

Last Name

Beckham

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1719 Freiburg Dr

Address2

City

Spring Hill

State

TN

Zip

37174

Phone Number

615-801-4364

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

Gerald@buysellmidtn.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

Exit Realty King & Associates

Job Title

Realtor

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

Current President of the Kiwanis Club Of Spring Hill

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

Festival creation and execution
Activity management
Knowledge of the parks in Spring Hill

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

I love Spring Hill and have worked with Parks & Rec on multiple occasions. Would love to help grow and expand our city parks.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

- Yes
- No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

City policy directs that all appointed advisory board members do not vote on matters where a potential conflict of interest exists. Would be willing to abstain from voting if such conflict arises?

- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

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Gerald Beckham

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #25651

Date Submitted: 12/13/2018

First Name

greg

Last Name

bearden

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677 lancaster drive

Address2

City

spring hill

State

tn

Zip

37174

Phone Number

9312151084

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

greg38401@gmail.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

sef-employed

Job Title

realtor, Keller Williams

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

as a former city of Columbia employee from 1984-2013, I've served on several boards within the city.i was on the safety committee, was part of the Emergency management communications network with amateur radio in Maury County (1990s-2013)and graduate of the Leadership Maury program. I was part of the due diligence committee when the board donated Rippavilla to the city of Spring Hill. (2017-18)

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

I am currently on the Natchez Trace Parkway Association Board of Directors, as a Tennessee member. I am Vice-president of Rippavilla inc. I am a member of both the Maury County Chamber of Commerce and the Spring Hill Chamber of Commerce. I am on the Board of Directors for Leadership Maury and on a special creation committee "Meet Maury". I am involved with the city of Spring Hill's Mayor's Fitness Challenge and volunteer to lead weekly walks for the Healthier Spring Hill initiative

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

I am in avid outdoorsman. I created the Bearden Outdoor Series which is a popular series of outdoor classes and activities. My staff and I taught over 20 outdoor classes/l activities in 2018 for the Spring Hill Parks and Recreation Department, late bloomers garden club, Williamson County parks and recreation department, and at the spring hill public library. I have a bachelors degree in business from Trevecca University and and with a lifelong resident of Maury County and grew up in Spring Hill. I have served on several boards and groups in leadership positions and feel confident I can help in guiding the Parks and Recreation Department.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

no special awards or recognitions received

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

I have proven leadership experience as superintendent of the wastewater department with the city of Columbia by managing multi million dollar sewer expansion projects and yearly budgets. I was the liaison between multiple agencies, contractors, and developers. As vice-president of Rippavilla bored I am involved with planning and guidance for the overall management of Rippavilla. I feel this past leadership experience qualifies me to work with the governing body of the city, department heads, and current board members for the betterment of the Parks system.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

I feel that I have a great rapport with the parks and recreation staff. I have worked alongside them with events at Rippavilla, The farmers market, and generally spreading the word about Spring Hill parks And the benefits it offers to citizens. I feel a focus on "quality of life" opportunities Within the city Parks system is important now, more than ever. Pro active board members are necessary to keep up with demand of the citizens in providing activities away from work, enrich the living experience here, and provide quality family - centered involvement.

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

- Yes
- No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

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- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

1

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james gregory "greg" bearden

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #25671

Date Submitted: 12/21/2018

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James

Last Name

Tew

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City

Spring Hill

State

TN

Zip

37174

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Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

jetewtew@gmail.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

Semi Retired

Job Title

Consultant

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

I have not served on any government boards, nor have I held any elective offices. However during my years in business I have served on various volunteer boards and chaired the same. I have also served as a volunteer minister for a congregation of up to 450 people in the Spring Hill area for more than 5 years and was just recently released from that assignment.

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

Mortgage Bankers Associate of TN - Vice President; Secretary Treasurer; PAC Chairman
TN Association of Mortgage Professionals - President
Florida Mortgage Bankers Association - Secretary Treasurer; Residential Committee Chair; Political Action Committee Chair and others
Central Florida Mortgage Bankers Association - President and various other board positions.

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

I love the outdoors and enjoy walking the trails and visiting the parks with my family and grandchildren. Parks are an important part of our community

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

After completing the Spring Hill Citizens Police Academy I have been looking for other ways to become active in our community and have a voice in how we grow.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

- Yes
- No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

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- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

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James E. Tew

Please print form and sign in the space above.

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #25658

Date Submitted: 12/17/2018

First Name

Marc

Last Name

Waltz

Address1

2008 Keene Circle

Address2

City

Spring Hill

State

Tennessee

Zip

37174

Phone Number

804-938-3099

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

Mapwaltz@gmail.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

GHD

Job Title

Fire Investigator

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

Was a Henrico County Firefighter/EMT, Assistant Fire Marshal (fire inspector/investigator) in Richmond VA 2000-2016
Was on the Chesterfield County Virginia Public Schools Health and Fitness advisory board in 2016-2017 (before we moved to TN)

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

Back in Richmond VA I was the Vice President of the Surreywood Pool and Tennis club 2014-2017
I was also the in charge of covenants and arcrecture for our neighborhood civic association 2012-2014
Was a Watch DOG (Dad of Great students) at my children’s school in VA from 2013-2017 (when we moved to TN)

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

I bring safety with my background and Also having three kids who all play at the parks and play sports which will help with input. I have also coached both baseball, softball here in TN and VA, as well as coached soccer in VA. I am also a good listener to the community and others. I also like to get my hands dirty
And help where it is needed.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

N/A

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

I want to become a member of the parks and recreation committee to help continue to make our city a great place
To live,work and bring families too. I also believe we can use available space
To make more trails for walking and biking for all ages so people can get out and enjoy our city!! Also we can provide events for the community to enjoy and experience our wonderful city !

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

I am a 40 year old married father of 3 (2 girls and a boy) who love Spring Hill! We attend the parks and events in Spring Hill and enjoy what there is. We also attend church regularly and I help with different activities at our church. I believe families work hard at work and school and should spend time together on weekends and when time allows to form memorable bonds and memories.

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

- Yes
- No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

City policy directs that all appointed advisory board members do not vote on matters where a potential conflict of interest exists. Would be willing to abstain from voting if such conflict arises?

- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

0

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Marc W. Waltz

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #23508

Date Submitted: 4/4/2018

First Name

Matthew

Last Name

Cox

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City

Spring Hill

State

Tennessee

Zip

37174

Phone Number

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Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

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Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

vanderbilt University Medical Center

Job Title

Senior Financial Analyst

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

Christ United Methodist Church Board of Trustees (2015-2017) served as committee Secretary (2016-2017).
Current member of Christ United Methodist Church Administrative Council (2018-)

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

Over 12 years of professional cost accounting and financial analysis expertise. As well as project management and project issue resolution. Knowledgeable in both computer applications as well as database structure and simple coding and database querying.

I am a DIY'er. I make amazing homemade: bread, beer, bacon, cheese, soap, country ham, corned beef, ice cream, and butter among many other things.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

I have three young children that love the playgrounds and parks in our area. I would love the opportunity to help grow and maintain those spaces for all the children and adults in Spring Hill. I've lived in Spring Hill for 10 years and watching the growth of the city has been thrilling. The opportunity help with parks and recreation opportunities to serve everyone in the city would be a great way to welcome new comers and personally satisfying. Parks, playgrounds, and recreational opportunities are a great way to grow a better sense of community and engage with our friends and neighbors.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

As to the question about parks and recreation commission meetings attended. I did not know that this was a separate entity from BoMA. Until recently.

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

- Yes
- No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

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- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

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By signing below, I acknowledge that I am a resident of Spring Hill, over the age of 18 and all the information is true and accurate.

Matthew Cox

Please print form and sign in the space above.

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #25643

Date Submitted: 12/11/2018

First Name

Rocky

Last Name

Jackson

Address1

4013 Williford Way

Address2

City

Spring Hill

State

TN

Zip

37174

Phone Number

615-596-0082

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

Rocky507jackson@yahoo.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

Tennessee Oncology

Job Title

Facilities Operations Manager

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

Captain - Quicksteps of Spring Hill
Builder - Habitat for Humanity

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

Planning, project management, construction, contract negotiations, budget evaluations, and engineering.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

None applicable to civic organizations.

Work related:

Salesman of the year 2015. Schneider Electric.

Trainer if the year 2014. Schneider Electric.

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

I would like to be a part in the planning of the future of this city. It is rapidly growing and my family is settled here. I have experience in planning, budget analysis, contract negotiations, and engineering and I believe I would be an asset to the team.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

Yes

No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

City policy directs that all appointed advisory board members do not vote on matters where a potential conflict of interest exists. Would be willing to abstain from voting if such conflict arises?

Yes

No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

0

By signing below, I acknowledge that I am a resident of Spring Hill, over the age of 18 and all the information is true and accurate.

Rocky Jackson

Please print form and sign in the space above.

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Parks and Recreation Commission Application - Submission #25668

Date Submitted: 12/20/2018

First Name

Tommy

Last Name

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Address1

1934 Portview Dr

Address2

City

Spring Hill

State

Tennessee

Zip

37174

Phone Number

6159158694

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this phone number available to the public?

Yes

No

Email Address

tommy@livemiddletennessee.com

Available to public

If selected to serve, would you want this email address available to the public?

Yes

No

Present Employer

Live Middle Tennessee

Job Title

Owner/Realtor

Previous Governmental Bodies/Elective Offices you have served on, Position/Office held and Dates:

None

Civic or Charitable Organizations to which you have belonged, Position/Office Held and Dates:

None

What special Interests/Skills/Talents would you bring to the Parks and Recreation Commission?

In another section I talk about doing my part to preserve the natural landscape of Spring Hill - to protect this town. That was also a primary driving factor for enlisting in the military. That and the lack of a clear future, but the military helped remedy that. I was a sergeant in the active duty Army for 4 years and in the Army National Guard for 4, while I went to college. The army taught me to problem solve while under extreme pressure and with the well-being of other soldiers under my authority. I've been an organized, focused, and driven person my entire life and the army amplified those qualities. While in the 30 day training course required to become a sergeant, I received the Leadership award and graduated number 2 in my class.

After leaving the army and graduating with a bachelor's degree in computer science, I spent 12 years in corporate IT. The last 5 years of that time I was a manager of on-shore and remote, off-shore employees. IT is also a highly driven world where troubleshooting, calm-under-pressure, and quick thinking is a requirement to succeed. As a manager, I dealt with numerous personnel issues and managed large projects that included several departments and lasted for months and sometimes years.

Currently, I run a real estate team with my wife and we are involved with every aspect of running a local, serviced-based business. The business gives us contact with Spring Hill residents and allows us to work with relocating residents that are discovering this area for the first time - just as we did 10 years ago.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

None

Please state the reasons why you want to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission

When my wife and I met and started dating, I was living in Oklahoma and she in east Tennessee. I had to attend training in Franklin and so she drive over to meet me so we could spend some time together.

I was a young aspiring musician, at the time, and managed to book a meeting with a music manager in Spring Hill. I had never been here, heard of, or otherwise knew Spring Hill existed, but when I passed the sign just north of Buckner on 31, something hit me.

This was in 2008, so the development in town was just a fraction of what it has become, and the charm and small town character captivated me. Samantha and I were talking marriage, by then, and I told her that one day we would live here.

Fast forward 2 years and that daydream became a reality. Somehow, it seems that this was always our home. I was born and raised in Oklahoma, I've lived in Europe and been all over the US, and have never experienced the same feeling of "Home" as there is in Spring Hill. Now 8 years as residents of this wonderful town, it has always been our home.

Just as I do with our personal home on our personal property, I want to protect this town. I support economic development and the opportunities that business owners bring to this town, but we also need to preserve the natural beauty. Spring Hill has received some generous land donations, and I've heard others contemplated, so I'm volunteering my time to seeing that we are good stewards of those generous gifts, as well as maintaining the integrity of the current parks.

There is a balance between development and natural landscape. I can contribute to finding that line and doing my part to make sure Spring Hill remains our home, and not just a place to live.

Is there any other information that you feel would be useful in reviewing your application?

I'm not sure what the experience level has traditionally been for appointed Parks and Recreation Commission members - if they served on government committees prior to their appointment, if they worked for other volunteer organizations - but I think it's important to have citizens that come in with a fresh perspective. I've had a limited exposure to the planning commission functions and BZA, but otherwise, I am a clean slate.

My value is my past experience in leadership positions and the ability - and willingness - to make decisions that would have lasting implications - and, perhaps unintuitively, my inexperience with government. I think municipalities need this perspective on every commission and board.

Are you associated with any Organizational/Employment that might be deemed as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

- Yes
- No

What Organizational/Employment do you deem as a conflict of interest in performing your duties if appointed?

City policy directs that all appointed advisory board members do not vote on matters where a potential conflict of interest exists. Would be willing to abstain from voting if such conflict arises?

- Yes
- No

How many Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings have you ever attended?*

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By signing below, I acknowledge that I am a resident of Spring Hill, over the age of 18 and all the information is true and accurate.

Please print form and sign in the space above.