



BOARD AND COMMISSION APPLICATION

PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD

The Parks, Recreation and Tourism Advisory Board meets the second Tuesday of January, May and September at 12:00 p.m. at 4806 Old Spartanburg Road, Taylors.

Personal Information

Name:	Mason Thomas	Birthdate:	
Prefix:	Mr.	City/State/Zip:	
Home Address:		Phone #:	
Email:		Driver's License #:	
Voter Registration #:		Occupation:	Health Scribe
Employer:	Scribe America	School Attended:	University of Tennessee
Highest Degree Earned:	B.S.	Field of Study:	Environmental and Soil Science
Year of Graduation:	2025	Social Media Profile:	
Linked In Profile:			

Experience / Certifications / Interest

Military Experience:

NA

Certifications:

NA

Civic Organizations / Other Affiliations:

NA

Volunteer Experience (please list and describe):

Active volunteer with Prisma Health Hospice
Volunteer experience with Knoxville and Chattanooga Humane societies

My interest in serving on the PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD is:

I'm most intrigued with the development aspect of the board. One of my chief interests within my major and also outside my major was in landscaping and development. The ability to have an input on future plans is really exciting to me as it was something I was really passionate about during my undergrad. I want to gain experience from this role, but more importantly I want to make an impact on Greenville County.

Describe your understanding of the position for which you are applying:

Help the County receive a citizen's perspective on current and future issues relating to public parks programs and tourism. I envision discussing proposals and using our unique perspectives to see how these proposals would have an impact on our communities.

Describe your strengths or skills that would positively contribute to the PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD:

I have strong backgrounds in ecology, community building, and sustainable planning. With my experiences serving on two boards during my undergrad I also have a really solid understanding of the responsibilities that come with the role. I also believe I would bring a unique perspective as a young person who chose Greenville over other cities in SC due largely to its parks system. I also have invaluable firsthand experience working with Knoxville's top rated urban wilderness system.

My community topics of concern that relate to the PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD are:

One of my biggest concerns is access and broadcasting of trails and hikes within the county. I feel like swamp rabbit gets a ton of attention, but doesn't really allow for full immersion within nature. Paris mountain on the other hand is our other big ticket location, but isn't fully accessible to everyone.

Other elected or appointed offices / Ethics / Legal

Do you currently hold an elected or appointed office or commission? Yes No
If yes, please list:

Have you previously held an elected or appointed office or commission? Yes No
If yes, please list:

Have you ever been fined for an ethics violation? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation? Yes No
If yes, please give details:

Are you currently, or have you ever been, a part or party to any litigation with or against Greenville County? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Additional Questions

Would you be willing to submit to a criminal background check and/or credit check? Yes No

Are you aware of the meeting schedule and time commitment for the PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD? Yes No

Have you attended a meeting of the PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD? Yes No

Are you aware of the County's attendance policy as it relates to boards and commissions? Yes No

Are you aware this is not a compensated position? Yes No

Conflict of Interest

It is the policy of Greenville County to require disclosure of any personal or financial interest that may be influenced by decisions of the Committee, Board or Commission for which any citizen applies for membership.

Do you or a member of your immediate family provide goods and/or services to this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Do you or a member of your immediate family receive direct services from this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Do you or a member of your immediate family financially benefit from the actions of this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Does your employer provide goods and/or services to this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Does your employer receive direct services from this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Does your employer financially benefit from the actions of this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Statement of Agreement and Understanding

Electronic Signature Agreement. By selecting the "Submit" button, you are signing this Application electronically (e-signature), you agree your "e-signature" is the legal equivalent of your manual signature on this Application. Additionally, you agree to and attest to the following:

All information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I understand it is my responsibility to insure my application is submitted within the application period and that it has been received by the County Council office.

I have read the Greenville County Board and Commission Policy and I understand the rules of conduct for the seat for which I am applying.

I understand my lack of attendance for three (3) consecutive meetings or 25% of all regular scheduled meetings within a year may result in my removal from the board.

I understand that I serve at the pleasure of County Council and all appointments are subject to the Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act, S.C. Code Ann. Section 8-13-100 et. seq., and any member appointed to a board or commission whose action is inconsistent or may be perceived to be inconsistent with the spirit or intent of the Act may be subject for removal.

I understand that information provided in this application may be subject to South Carolina Freedom of Information disclosure.

Signature: Mason Thomas

Date: 3/2/2026

Applicants are encouraged to notify their representing Council Member of their interest to be considered for a desired board seat.