

**April 7, 2026**

**MJ BPAC Meeting**

**Mt. Juliet City Hall, Commissions Chamber**

**6:30 PM Meeting**

**Attendees:**

<b>Voting Members:</b>			
<b>Steven Armstrong (V)</b>	<b>Mike Earle (V)</b>	<b>Alisha E. Anderson (V)</b>	<b>Art Giles (V)</b>
<b>Jennifer Milele (V)</b>	<b>Matthew Richardi (V)</b>	<del>Mark Thomas (V)</del>	<del>Diana Vergara (V)</del>
<del>Vacant Seat (V)</del>			
<b>City Officials:</b>			
<del>Chief Chandler</del>	<del>Lt. Christensen</del>	<del>Jennifer Dickmann</del>	<del>Toby Toombs</del>
<b>Michael Mullins</b>	<del>Shane Shamanur</del>	<del>Emily Taylor</del>	<b>Matthew White</b>
<del>Todd Serbent</del>			

(v) – Voting Members

## **Minutes**

1. Call to Order & Establish a Quorum:
  - a. **6** of 9 voting members were present – Quorum **was** established.
2. Approve Minutes
  - a. Minutes **were** approved from the March 2026 meeting by unanimous vote and one abstention.
3. Citizens' Comments:
  - a. Sally Robertson made a comment regarding attending the planning commission meeting. They wanted opinions for the bike lanes, but it was postponed until May. The issue regarding wanting comments from cyclists for the planning commission will be held in May. Sally thinks that Citizen comments should follow every agenda item. Art stated that our meeting format follows the BOC and we are unlikely to change it.
4. Sally Robertson: Introduces a book she authored.
  - a. Sally introduced Jingles Christmas Ride with Rudolph the Reinbike. It is based on Sally's citywide bike ride around Mt Juliet small businesses. She dedicated her book to small businesses and that they may be discovered and that they prosper. Sally said there is no town square in Mt Juliet. She mentioned that the book is currently on Amazon. She did it through Author's Bench which supports self-publishing authors.

5. Commissioner Jennifer Milele/Art Giles: Updates on City Projects, Changes, Comments, etc.:
  - a. Jennifer Milele
    - i. Trail Head Parking lot in Park Glen for the Cedar Creek Greenway. When Park Glen did the next phase, they didn't look up the property plats showing that the area they built are in a public access easement.
6. Grant Status/Opportunity/Updates – Public Works:
  - a. No Updates.
7. Ride Mt Juliet Day Final Planning/Discussion
  - a. Date: May 3rd at 2:00 PM (Rainout is May 17)
  - b. Will Start at Charlie Daniels Park. Same route as last year.
  - c. Steve shared a flyer and asked for comments
    - i. For the Biker's Choice – add bicycle shop to the flyer to explain what it is.
    - ii. Steve will send everyone a paragraph to share along with the
  - d. We need two 2 Tents, 2 Tables, 4 Chairs from Parks. – Jennifer M to confirm and request
  - e. PA System from IT – Jennifer M to confirm
  - f. Earles will help with sign-in.
  - g. Mike Mullins will arrange for MJPD to do a Bike Rodeo.
  - h. Mike to discuss with MJPD about the loaded weight of their Gators. The weight limit of the wooden boardwalks is only 6,000 lbs.
8. Ride of Silence Discussion/Planning
  - a. This is a Veloteer event that BPAC supports.
  - b. Date: May 20th at 7pm (International Event Time)
9. Walk Across Wilson Recap
  - a. Friends of MJ BPAC came in 2nd.
  - b. T-Shirts size request email has not come out yet, keep watching your email.
10. Discussion: Identify Areas of City for Pedestrian Connectivity/Repairs:
  - a. Current Discussion Topics:
    - i. Railroad Crossing at end of Clemons where it meets East Division.
      1. Matt W stated that they are working on it and they will fix it like they did Mt Juliet Rd.
  - b. Previously Discussed:
    - i. Sidewalk Connection is missing between S Mt Juliet Rd and ML Rose.
      1. Matt said it is in the Transportation Plan, but it doesn't have funding yet.
    - ii. Davis Drive is not in the transportation plan. Getting grant funding would be challenging, but it could still be done as a city project. This would ultimately

connect Golden Bear to other sidewalks and neighborhood. There is a project proposed in the area, but it has challenges at the moment with the proposed plan with parcels in the floodway.

- iii. Golden Bear is getting really bad from the construction. The bike lanes are very covered with debris and rocks.
- iv. Steve Armstrong asked if sidewalks were a part of the Curd Road expansion planned for 2026, Toby commented that they are not.
- v. Armstrong asked the committee to investigate the need for a sidewalk on the west end of Curd Road to connect to sidewalks on MJ Road, and on the east end to connect to Golden Bear.
- vi. Jackson Hills Trailhead – Dead Trees shedding limbs onto the greenway. Parks is in communication with the HOA for approvals.
- vii. Sunnymeade Dr – To have sidewalks connecting Belinda Pkwy to Rutland Rd with a cross walk to connect to the Providence Greenway.
- viii. Diana volunteered for developing a Map with these locations compiled.
- ix. Clearview Neighborhood connections discussed during Citizen’s Comments
  - 1. Matt White to investigate potential solutions.
- x. Behind Goodwill connecting to Crossings Blvd.
  - 1. There is a missing piece of sidewalk.
  - 2. It is on a private road and therefore the City can’t address this.
- xi. New Greenway at Bradshaw Farms – something should be extended so it doesn’t dead-end.
- xii. Steve: Two communities would likely benefit from a sidewalk along the main street to connect to MJ Road.
  - 1. Falkner – would it make sense to have a sidewalk to connect to MJ Rd for kids that may want to walk to the middle school
  - 2. Mt Juliet Middle School – Weston could potentially use a sidewalk to connect to the rest of the system. Matt W. said that there will be a sidewalk done in Clearview when that is re-developed.

11. New Business:

- a. Walk to School:
  - i. Please sign up for volunteer positions. All help is appreciated.
- b. Elzie Paton walk to school last year, there were special needs students that attended. They mentioned that they did not have a playground that accommodated special needs. They have 25+ special needs children that attend that school. If the school starts a fundraiser, we can share links and help promote it. Alisha stated that she has contacts with Playground Developers and will be happy to share additional information.
- c. Can we potentially look at adding shaded covers to our park benches along our greenways without tree canopy. Would likely would be a Parks Department. Jennifer M will contact Parks about this.

12. Dismissal: Meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm

## 2026 BPAC Calendar of Events:

1. January:
  - a. Meeting: 1/6/2026 – 6:30pm
2. February:
  - a. Meeting: 2/3/2026 – 6:30pm
  - b. Walk Across Wilson Kick-Off Event: 2/28/2026
3. March:
  - a. Meeting: 3/3/2026 – 6:30pm
  - b. Walk Across Wilson Starts: 3/01/2026
  - c. Potential Walk to School Days
4. April:
  - a. Meeting: 4/7/2026 – 6:30pm
  - b. Potential Walk to School Days
5. May:
  - a. Ride Mt Juliet Event: 5/3/2026 (Rain out 5/17/2026) – 2pm
  - b. Meeting: 5/5/2026 – 6:30pm
  - c. Walk To School – WA Wright 5/8 – 6:45 am
  - d. Walk to School – Elzie Patton 5/13 – 6:30 am
  - e. Walk to School – MJMS 5/13 – 7:45 am
  - f. Walk to School – Rutland 5/14 – 6:45 am
  - g. Walk to School – Watertown 5/19 – 6:45 am
  - h. Ride of Silence (Veloteer Event): 5/20/2026 – 7pm
6. June:
  - a. Meeting: 6/2/2026 – 6:30pm
7. July:
  - a. Meeting: 7/7/2026 – 6:30pm – Potential to Cancel due to July 4th proximity
8. August:
  - a. Meeting: 8/4/2026 – 6:30pm
  - b. Greenway Walk Event: 8/13/2026 (Rain out 8/27/2026) – 6pm
9. September:
  - a. Meeting: 9/1/2026 – 6:30pm (week before Labor Day)
  - b. BPAC Member Family Picnic – 9/18 – 5pm
10. October:
  - a. Meeting: 10/6/2026 – 6:30pm
11. November:
  - a. Meeting: 11/3/2026 – 6:30pm
12. December:
  - a. Meeting: 12/1/2026 – 6:30pm – Typically cancelled in advance of Christmas Light walk
  - b. Potential Christmas Light Walk Event: 12/14/2026 (Rain out Date 12/21/2026) – 6pm
    - i. Typically Monday Night with rain out the following Monday
  - c. MJ Christmas Parade: TBD