



The rubber ducks float toward the finish line. | PHOTOS BY SAMANTHA WALDEN



Cindy Todd poses with her winning duck and \$500 grand prize.

Williamsburg's annual duck race makes a splash for Shop with a Cop



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WILLIAMSBURG — More than 500 rubber ducks raced down the lazy river at Kentucky Splash Water Park Saturday night as part of Williamsburg's Fourth of July festivities capped off by fireworks.

The annual duck race raised more than \$1,900 to benefit the Williamsburg Police Department's "Shop with a Cop" program, which helps provide Christmas gifts for local children in need during the holiday season. The total raised includes the \$500 grand prize awarded to the first-place winner. Cindy Todd claimed first place and received the \$500 grand prize. Sherri Strunk finished second and won her choice of a two-night stay at the Kentucky Splash Campground or five day passes to the water park. Kentucky Splash Manager and Event Organizer Diane Bruers expressed her appreciation for the community's support. "We want to thank everyone who came out

to our duck race and contributed to the Shop with a Cop program," Bruers said.



Members of the Corbin City Commission met Monday in special session. | PHOTO BY ANIYA JAMES

Corbin City Commission approves Walmart annexation, Parks Department agreement

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CORBIN — The Corbin Board of Commissioners met Monday evening for a special-called meeting — approving an annexation ordinance, a Planning and Zoning recommendation and a new employee expectations agreement for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mayor Suzie Razmus called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. at the Corbin Government Center. Present for the meeting were Mayor Razmus, Commissioners John Baker, Allison Moore, Brandon Shepherd and James Gambrel, along with City Manager Scott Williamson, City Attorney Bob Hammons and City Clerk Tori Brock.

The Board unanimously approved the minutes from its June 15 meeting before moving into the evening's business.

The first item of new business was the second reading of Ordinance 2026-4, which annexes a tract of property located at 60 South Stewart Road into the City of Corbin and establishes its zoning classification. Following the required second reading, commissioners unanimously approved the ordinance, officially bringing the property into the city's limits.

The board then considered a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding a plat review for property owned by RJV Properties.

Code Enforcement Officer Mike Mahan explained that the Planning and Zoning Commission had approved the plat request during its previous meeting and was recommending it for final approval by the board. He explained that the request involved dividing the

property into multiple lots, noting that one parcel already had a prospective buyer. Commissioners reviewed a map of the property included in their meeting packets before unanimously approving the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation.

The final item on the agenda focused on an employee expectations agreement for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Assistant City Manager Jacob Roan told commissioners the document was created to clearly outline employee responsibilities, workplace conduct, attendance expectations and day-to-day duties. He explained that the agreement would provide supervisors with a consistent standard for accountability after employees acknowledge and sign the document.

Commissioner Moore praised the agreement, saying she hoped it could eventually serve as a model for other city departments.

"I think we should make this ... through all departments," Moore said. "This was great."

Roan credited Parks and Recreation Director Skyler Petrie with developing the document after identifying areas where clearer expectations were needed among maintenance staff.

He said each Parks and Recreation employee, along with Petrie as supervisor, would sign the agreement to acknowledge the outlined expectations.

Commissioners unanimously approved the employee expectations agreement.

With no additional business to come before the board during the special-called meeting, commissioners voted unanimously to adjourn.

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