

MINUTES

Board of Parks and Recreation
Cecil Arena
17 Wilson Rd.
2706 North East Rd
North East MD 21921



October 15, 2012

OPENING: 5:30 P.M.

- Call to Order: Don Harmer, 5:30 PM
- In attendance: Don Harmer Chairman, Steve Minor Vice Chairman, Bernie Brown, Jen Smith, Chris Hersl, George Raley, Matthew Morris, Cynthia Cantor, Superintendent, Danielle Hemling Recreation Coordinator, Clyde VanDyke, Director
- Approval of Meeting Minutes, September 17, 2012,
Motion to Approve: Steve Minor
Second: Jen Smith

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Introduction of New Board Members, Don Harmer, Chairman
New members introduced, Matthew Morris and George Raley.
- 501/Rec Council, Don Harmer, Chairman
Don Harmer, Chairman, explained that a 501/Rec Council would allow our organization to achieve funds that would otherwise be blocked from our group due to our Government status. Information will be distributed, electronically to the board to explain in detail. Don Harmer, Chairman has discussed this with the County Attorney as well as the County Treasurer. The County Treasurer suggested having several Rec Councils for each geographical area within the County, with a different representative for each. Clyde VanDyke, Director, asked if a Rec Council is what we are looking for or possibly a boosters club. A boosters club can be one collective unit under the Parks Board rather than a separate Rec Council for each geographical area with its sole purpose of raising funds. Don Harmer, Chairman, and Steve Minor, Vice Chairman to research 501 (c) 3 further, and report back to the Board. All other Board members to find people to run the organization.
- CIP, Clyde VanDyke, Director
The 2014 CIP request is due to the Budget Manager November 1, 2012. A copy of the CIP was circulated to the Board members. Projects include, Priority 1-furnishings for the completion of Conowingo Park Phase II, Priority 2- Calvert Property Phase I (Regional Park) engineering funding, Priority 3- Sports Complex lighting, and Priority 4- installation of a turf field.
Motion to approve CIP: Chris Hersl
Second: Steve Minor
- Skate Park, possible addition to Conowingo Park
Clyde VanDyke, Director, responded to email requesting the skate park. The plans for this project have been complete for several years but he did let him know that if he would like to present his idea to the board he was welcome to. Any changes to the park would have to take place after the park was completed according to the plans. Additions to park could be made after.
- New Member Park Pal Selection
Matthew Morris: Park Pal selection is Calvert Property
George Raley: Park Pal selection to be determined within the week

- **Vision Statement**

Cynthia Cantor, Superintendent, circulated newly worded Vision Statement to all board members via email. Board members to review and compare to current Vision Statement and email Don Harmer, Chairman, with suggestions.

Motion to Close Open Session: Jen Smith

Second: Steve Minor

Motion to Adjourn: Steve Minor

Second: Chris Hersl

Meeting Adjourned : 6:43pm

Next Meeting: to be held Monday, November 19th at 5:30 pm, at the County Administration Building.