

MINUTES

Cecil County Board of Parks and Recreation
Cecil County Administration Building, Rising Sun Room
200 Chesapeake Boulevard
Elkton, MD 21921



October 23, 2017

OPENING: 5:35 P.M.

- Call to Order: Don Harmer, Chairman,
- In attendance: Don Harmer Chairman, Jen Callahan, Brian Morgan, Megan Coleman, Matthew Roberts, Clyde VanDyke Director, Ella Briones Administrative Budget Assistant
- Approval of Meeting Minutes, September 19, 2017
Motion to Approve: No quorum, minutes approved via email on 10/24/17

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Welcome Megan Coleman – Megan’s appointment was approved by the County Council to fill our vacant Parks Board position. We are very excited to welcome Megan to the Board!
- General Update
 - Elk River Park – We will continue to utilize the park for its intended use, water access to the Elk River. No plans for trails or a basketball court are in the foreseeable future.
 - Calvert Phase II - We are going through the punch list with the contractor. Brick Meeting House Road is still closed. We are moving the jersey barriers to the other side of the park entrance. We will be adding another playground, swings, and pavilions
 - The synthetic turf field at Perryville High School is finished, the fence is up. Jr. League Football has played on the field. Concerns with the placement/height of the flag pole were discussed.
 - Upcoming tournaments for 2017 – 10/28, 10/29, 11/4, 11/5. We over seeded the practice fields at Rising Sun High School prior to our use for the Brandywine Classis Boys Lacrosse tournament. We have received tournament requests for dates in 2018 & 2019.
 - Bittersweet – We are discussing settlement dates. The property is in the FY17 LPPRP. Initially, there will be no funds available for amenities. The trails will be cleared, ponds will be stocked, and signage will be posted.
 - Meetings with High Schools – We are meeting with members of the student body in each of the 5 high schools. We are asking 9th-12th grade students about the types of programming they would like for Cecil County Parks and Recreation to offer. We’d also like to get more students involved with internships at local businesses.
 - Cecil County Public Schools utilized Calvert Regional Park for their cross-country meet, field hockey, and lacrosse. Cecil College used fields at Calvert for men’s soccer.
 - Jr. League football groups possibly running under Cecil County Parks and Recreation was discussed.
 - Staffing – We have had two staff members leave the Department. One of our Laborers accepted a position with the Roads Department. The part-time Recreation Assistant moved to Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/QUESTIONS

N/A

BOARD COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

- Brian Morgan mentioned listing our accomplishments on our County website.
- Chairman Harmer mentioned staffing compensation and to be aware of where we can assist the Department with whatever it needs.
- Matthew Roberts mentioned the ribbon cutting at Perryville High School went well. Soccer, Field Hockey, Football, and Cross-Country meets all went well. Clyde has an open invitation to all Athletic Director meetings

Motion to Adjourn: Brian Morgan
Second: Jen Callaghan

Meeting Adjourned: 7:30 pm

Next meeting – November 21st, 5:30 p.m. – Cecil Arena, 2706 North East Road, North East, MD.