

MINUTES

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



August 20, 2019

OPENING: 5:33 P.M.

- Call to Order: Brian Morgan
- In attendance: Don Harmer-Chairman, Brian Morgan-Vice Chairman, Bernie Brown, Megan Coleman, Jen Callaghan, Councilman George Patchell-Ex-Officio, Clyde VanDyke-Director, Ella Briones-Admin. Budget Assist.
- Approval of Meeting Minutes, June 18, 2019
Motion to Approve: Jen Callaghan
Second: Bernie Brown

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Friends of CCPR: Thomas McFadden gave an update on the 501c3. Justin Bakeoven stepped down as Chairman, Thomas has moved into that role. The "pop-up play date" to promote the "Friends" at Brantwood Park went well, Sweet Cowalines participated by hiding rocks around the park with free ice cream cone labels. A "movie in the park" is scheduled for Calvert Regional Park in September. The 501c3 is reviewing candidates to add to the board. All current board members have agreed to sit for one more year. Meetings will be held with the Kiwanis Club & the Conowingo Lions Club. The Board is now part of Amazon Smile.
- Project Update: Phase III of Calvert Regional Park is in the plan review process with an anticipated start date of April/May 2020. Phase III will be split into sections A/B & will include additional fields, parking, and road improvements. Elk River Dredging will be begin this fall. The turf field at North East High School is scheduled to be completed prior to the first home game. A masterplan for Brantwood will be developed with input from the Parks Board, the Friends, meetings with the public & an online survey.
- Program Update: Wolfpack Football has 150 players register with Cheer having 50. The Movers program in Elementary and Middle Schools has begun. The YEA program is currently being staffed & teachers are providing a list of students who would most benefit from the program. Two Lacrosse tournaments will be held in October and one in November. There are currently three vacancies in the Maintenance Division that we are working to fill. Five fields at Calvert Regional Park were over-seeded with Bermuda seed in July. County High School Field Hockey teams & Cecil College Soccer are using Field 1 and the turf field at Calvert Regional Park.
- Heat Policy: A heat policy for County athletic fields is being considered. The County will review other jurisdictions before making a decision & would also need to discuss the policy with the schools.

ACTION ITEMS

- Annual Board Elections
 - Chairman: Nomination- Don Harmer - 1st Brian Morgan, 2nd Jen Callaghan, accepted
 - Vice Chairman: Nomination- Brian Morgan - 1st Don Harmer, 2nd Jen Callaghan, accepted
 - Secretary: Nomination Ella Briones - 1st Don Harmer, 2nd Brian Morgan, accepted

**Motion: To elect the Parks Board positions as nominated: Jen Callaghan
Second: Megan Coleman**

The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT/QUESTIONS

None

BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Don Harmer - Mentioned having Virgil Boysaw present to coaching staff on opioid and substance abuse.

Bernie Brown - Mentioned he was happy to see there was always a forward motion during the Parks Board meetings.

Jen Callaghan - None

Megan Coleman - None

Brian Morgan - None

Motion to Adjourn: Megan Coleman

Second: Jen Callaghan

Meeting Adjourned: 7:33 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 17th at 5:30 pm, at the Calvert House (2826 North East Road, North East, MD).