## **MINUTES**

Board of Parks and Recreation Cecil County Administration Building 200 Chesapeake Blvd. Suite 1209, Rising Sun Room Elkton, Md 21921

Feb 17, 2011

**OPENING: 5:00 P.M.** 

Call to Order: 5:10 pm Dave Vanaskey

In attendance: Vice Chairman Dave Vanaskey, Linda Snyder, Bernie Brown, Steve Minor, Jen Smith, Chris Hersl, Director Clyde VanDyke, Superintendant Cynthia Cantor, Kelly Schaible, Commissioner Mike Dunn, Commissioner Robert Hodge, Don Harmer Cecil Soccer, Mario Gangemi Cecil Lacrosse/Jr. Football, Chip Peterson President Jr Football, Carl Fockler Raintree Airport.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

o December 2, 2010

Motion to Approve: Linda Snyder

Second: Jenn Smith

#### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Resignation
 As of February 13, 2011, Chairman Doug Lort has resigned.

• Carl Fockler, Raintree airport.

Raintree Airport is currently going through a transitional phase. The airport is looking to create an Airport Authority. Raintree airport consists of 125+- acres and is located off of Old Field Pt Rd in Elkton, MD. Robert Powell, owner of Raintree airport, is interested in seeking a partnership opportunity with Parks and Recreation. It was stated that the facility has the possibility to house a walking/biking trail, nature areas, bird look outs, ecosystem monitoring etc. Don Harmer stated that part of the property is located on was the old landfill. The land is raw land and the cost of development would be subject to negotiation. Partnering, etc.



Project Priority List/Review of CIP projects. Director, Clyde VanDyke
 Priority 1 (Park purchased in 2002)

Conowingo Park. Permits are valid, engineering is complete. We are looking to complete Phase I which would include a walking trail, tennis courts and additional football field. Approximately \$59,000 of POS funds are currently allocated to complete the project. Jenn Smith stated that parking is also an issue. Phase II includes the development of another parking lot.

## Priority 2A (Park purchased in 1995)

Sports Complex. Refurbishing the existing football field. Currently there is only a 1% grade on the field. Water runs off of existing hillside and sits on the field making the field unusable for several weeks. Have requested in the CIP for FY 12 for project engineering funds. Additional funding for the development of the project will be requested in FY 13. It was recommended that neighboring residents be contacted for possible land acquisition for additional parking lot development.

#### **Priority 2B**

Sports Complex. Synthetic Turf for existing football field rather than seeding to refurbish.

### Priority 3 (Park purchased in 1974)

Chesland. Project consist of the addition of multi-purpose fields, walking trails, playground, pavilions and 2 baseball fields along with additional parking added near the entrance.

C.I.P Public Hearing is May 17, 2011. Public involvement is encouraged.

- New Employees
   Recently hired, Paul Pumpaly, Laborer and Seth Evans, Laborer
- New Recreation Coordinator Position
   Currently interviewing for this position
- Review of Operating Budget/POS Budget
   Submitted to Budget Manager on Feb. 1, 2011. No increases from FY2011 were proposed. Revenues and Expenses were discussed. Board Members received hard copy of proposed operating budget and POS budget.
- Chairman Doug Lort has resigned. Recommendations to be filled will be made. The
  vacancy is hoped to be filled by the April Parks Board Meeting. A gesture of
  appreciation will be presented to Mr. Lort.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

• Election of New Officers

Chairman: Dave Vanaskey nominated by Linda Snyder

Second: Jenn Smith

Vice Chairman: Steve Minor nominated by Bernie Brown

Second: Linda Snyder

**Secretary: Kelly Schaible** 

Meeting adjourned: 6:15 p.m.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Next meeting: March 24, 2011, Rising Sun Room