

MINUTES

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



June 4, 2012

OPENING: 5:30 P.M.

- Call to Order: Dave Vanaskey, 5:35 PM
- In attendance: Dave Vanaskey, Chairman, Steve Minor, Vice Chairman, Bernie Brown, Don Harmer, Jen Smith, Cynthia Cantor, Superintendent, Kelly Schaible, Secretary, Danielle Haslup, Recreation Coordinator, Clyde VanDyke, Director.
- Approval of Meeting Minutes, March 19, 2012,
Motion to Approve: Steve Minor
Second: Don Harmer

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Budget Review
Operating Budget was approved as submitted, CIP was approved in the amount of \$349,000 for Bard Cameron to refurbish the football field and baseball field, and full funding to complete the second phase of the Conowingo project was approved in the amount of \$578,000.
- VLT Money Opportunity
Clyde VanDyke, Director, is to meet with the new Director of Economic Development to discuss potential opportunities.
- Future Funding Requests as pertains to new government, 501c3 options, private funding (a la Cedar Lane), receptiveness of County Exec, etc.
Discussion of possible future opportunities to bring in funds from hosting tournaments within the county.
Discussion of importance to have user groups present at all public budget meetings (Operating Budget and CIP) to increase Commissioner awareness that funding is needed. User groups to be invited to the next parks board meeting to discuss the importance of being present during budget time.
- Projects out for bid
Plans for Conowingo are complete and hope to go out to bid in July. Bard Cameron project, also hope to go out to bid in July.
- State of the Survey
Don Harmer spoke to Chris Hersl to review survey and advise on survey monkey for distribution. Chris Hersl to be contacted before next meeting.
- Union Hospital Volunteer Project – Elk River Seedlings Mulched
Union Hospital Volunteers mulched all existing seedlings at Elk River Boat Ramp for protection. Their work and effort is much appreciated by the department.
- Eagle Scout Project Request
The department was contacted by an Eagle Scout that would like to complete a project at Conowingo Park. The project is to consist of bird watching signs along the walking path. They will be contacted and asked to present in detail the project to the Parks Board at the next meeting.

- **Park Ordinances**
Park Ordinances are now being enforced at all county parks with the use of Citations. As of today, only citations for boat ramp users without the proper permitting have been distributed. No other violators have been cited. All citations, if not paid within 20 days, will be ordered to stand trial.
- **Summer Program Update**
Registration has begun for all summer programs. Safetyville will begin June 18th. Summer Camp registration has also begun. There are several new camps this year, wrestling camp, basketball camp, flag football camp and theatre camp. Returning camps include dance camps, art camps etc. Registrations for a golf league to begin soon. The Dept of Parks and Recreation will be partnering with Camp C.A.R.E. this summer. Camp C.A.R.E. is a program that was formerly located at Sandy Cove, and is a camp for special needs children. Unfortunately, Sandy Cove is unable to house them this year. Camp C.A.R.E. will now be held at the Rising Sun Community Center. The department has purchased a billboard on Rt 40 to advertise all summer programs. The billboard will go up this summer.
- **Cecil Lacrosse field issues/other user issues**
There are no issues at this time.

Motion to adjourn: Steve Minor

Second: Don Harmer

Meeting Adjourned 6:45pm

Next Meeting: to be held Monday, July 16 at 5:30 pm in the County Administration building, Perryville Room.