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Cecil Arena
2706 North East Road
North East, MD 21901

Cecil County

November 18, 2013

## OPENING: 5:30 P.M.

- Call to Order: Don Harmer, 5:30 PM
- In attendance: Don Harmer Chairman, Steve Minor Vice Chairman, Bernie Brown, George Raley, Matthew Morris, Jennifer Smith, Danielle Hemling Recreation Coordinator, Clyde Van Dyke Director, Ella Briones Administrative Assistant
- Approval of Meeting Minutes, October 21, 2013
   Motion to Approve: George Raley
   Second: Jennifer Smith

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- <u>Calvert Park Letter of Support Update</u> The Parks Board continues to gather signatures in support of Calvert Park. Jennifer Smith has distributed information to her head coaches to gather even more signatures. She has found that people are very supportive. We may need a tri-fold board with Parks Board contacts, park renderings, 5 points we are trying to change through recreation, and park pictures. Soccer and Lacrosse signatures will be gathered as those sports start in late winter/early spring. Adding a Parks and Recreation link to youth sport websites was discussed. Parks Board members will send their sports contact information to Ella. Steve Minor would like to show his colleagues a Parks and Recreation presentation to gather additional support in the community.
- <u>Terry Hasseltine/Colleen Joseph</u> We will invite Terry Hasseltine and Colleen Joseph as a guest speaker to our January Parks Board meeting to discuss Tourism and Economic Development.
- Bard Cameron Update We are still researching the property.
- Basell The plans for the parcel are still being decided. Partnerships are being discussed as well.
- <u>Calvert Park</u> The cost of Calvert Park Phase I is estimated at \$5 million. Phase I will be included in the FY15 CIP. If we can build Phase I, we will be able to generate tourism that will pay for itself.
- <u>Lions Club</u> Bernie Brown says the Lions Club members have a \$5,000 CD they would like to use for Conowingo Park. The CD was discussed as a possible funding source for adding stone to the trail at Conowingo Park in late February or early March.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT/QUESTIONS**

## **ACTION ITEMS**

Motion to Adjourn: Steve Minor

Second: Bernie Brown

Meeting Adjourned: 6:45pm

Next Meeting: to be held Monday, January 27th at 6:00 pm, in the Elk Room of the County Administration Building.