

MINUTES

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

July 28, 2014



OPENING: 5:30 P.M.

- Call to Order: Don Harmer, Chairman
- In attendance: Executive Moore, Don Harmer-Chairman, Steve Minor Vice-Chairman, George Raley, Matthew Morris, Traci Bauguess, Clyde Van Dyke-Director, Cindy Cantor-Superintendent, Ella Briones-Administrative Assistant, Mario Gangemi - 501c3
- Approval of Meeting Minutes, June 16, 2014
Motion to Approve: George Raley
Second: Steve Minor
- Motion to amend the agenda, add item "501c3 Update"
First: Steve Minor
Second: George Raley

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- User Fees - Per Director Van Dyke, Cecil County Public Schools is proposing an increase in user fees beginning in the 2015 school cycle. Cecil County Parks and Recreation will need to revisit their current fee schedule if CCPS follows through with these proposed fees. It is anticipated that CCPS user groups will be coming over to Cecil County Parks and Recreation due to lower fees. Executive Moore and Director Van Dyke have discussed user fees over the past 4-6 weeks and Executive Moore has also discussed fees with Dr. Devine of CCPS. Executive Moore feels the CCPS user fee announcement may create a much higher need for CCPR fields and she would like to everyone to consider the future of CCPR and its fields. Executive Moore also stated Director Van Dyke and the department have set a high standard as far as care and maintenance of their fields. She feels CCPR can offer some of the best fields in the region and wants to remain consistent in their quality. A suggestion was made for teams using CCPR fields to possibly hold fundraisers or use advertising on fences to generate funds. Executive Moore asked the Parks Board to think about what it wanted for CCPR's as we look toward the future. User fees for CCPS as well as CCPR will continue to be discussed. Partnerships with CCPS are also being discussed. CCPR will continue to work on fee comparisons with other MD counties.
- 501c3 – Mario discussed document changes with County Attorney, Jason Allison. Director Van Dyke will be the Ex-Officio of the 501c3. Mario is working on the application for the 501c3. This document will need to be typed.
 - Motion to change By-Laws from "Cecil Parks Foundation" to "Friends of Cecil County Parks and Recreation" and motion to change Articles of Incorporation from "Cecil Parks Foundation" to "Friends of Cecil County Parks and Recreation" and to remove "Matt Morris" and replace with "Traci Bauguess"
First: Matt Morris
Second: George Raley
- Bard Cameron Property adjacent to Cecil County Sports Complex – CCPR is still working on a resolution, Chairman Harmer may be able to discuss with the County Attorney.

ACTION ITEMS

- Board Elections - Nominations
 - Don Harmer - Chairman
 - Steve Minor - Vice Chairman
 - Secretary - Ella Briones

Nominations were passed unanimously by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT/QUESTIONS

None

BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

- The meeting agenda will be added to the website on the Friday before the Board meeting.
- It was noted the user fees from Howard, Montgomery, Anne Arundel, and Frederick Counties, are from the highest per capita income counties, just something to keep in mind. We are waiting for Wicomico County data.
- The CCPR logo on the front page of the County website was well received. CCPR is working on adding an interactive map and timeline for Calvert Regional Park to the website.

Motion to Adjourn: Matt Morris

Second: George Raley

Meeting Adjourned: 6:45 pm

Next Meeting: to be held Monday, September 15th at 5:30 pm in the Cecil Arena.