

MINUTES

Cecil County Board of Parks and Recreation
Cecil Arena
2706 North East Road
North East, MD 21901

June 16, 2014



OPENING: 5:30 P.M.

- Call to Order: Don Harmer, Chairman
- In attendance: Don Harmer Chairman, Steve Minor Vice Chairman, Bernie Brown, George Raley, Matthew Morris, Traci Bauguess, Danielle Hemling Recreation Coordinator, Ella Briones Administrative Assistant, Mario Gangemi - 501c3
- Approval of Meeting Minutes, May 19, 2014
Motion to Approve: George Raley
Second: Steve Minor

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- General Update: The Elk River DMP Site expansion is out to bid. We hope to break ground by Aug/Sept. Work was completed at The Cecil Sports Complex (Bard Cameron) and the fields are online. Conowingo Park Phase II was completed but the fields are not online yet. Boat Ramp Permit review has begun and citations are being issued for those in violation. The summer camp program numbers look really well. We have a several camps this year including Safetyville, Baseball, Dance, Art, and Sunsational. The department is still working to resolve the property ownership issue with the property adjacent to the Cecil Sports Complex.
- Calvert Regional Park Recap: Chairman Harmer thanked everyone again for their support and efforts surrounding Calvert Regional Park and the FY15 budget. Parks and Recreation continues to move forward with the engineering phase of the park. The bid specs are being developed and we have applied for the required permits. A meeting with Union Hospital and the Jimmy Wild Foundation will take place in the next couple of weeks to discuss outside funding for the park.
- 501c3 Update – Mario Gangemi: Mario has met with the County Attorney, Jason Allison. The 501c3 will be tied to the Parks Board, but will operate as a separate organization. The 501c3 documents were given a significant overhaul during the meeting with Jason. Three copies were circulated around to the Parks Board. Some of the revisions are as follows: approval from the Parks Board for the 501c3 was removed, 95% of the onus is placed on the 501c3 foundation, the Parks Board will be considered an Ex-Officio, changes to the by-laws would no longer be controlled by the Parks Board. As of now, the only member is Mario and the Ex-Officio, the remaining board members will be named at a later date. Mario will email Ella the revised document as well as the outline to show what revisions were made. Ella will send to the Parks Board. Assistance in typing up the application is needed. The EIN # will be applied for soon. The Articles of Incorporation have been completed. It was suggested a closed session be held at the July meeting to vote on the revisions.

PUBLIC COMMENT/QUESTIONS

BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Motion to Adjourn: Traci Bauguess

Second: Bernie Brown

Meeting Adjourned: 6:20 pm

Next Meeting: to be held Monday, July 28th at 5:30 pm in the Rising Sun Room of the County Admin Building.