



Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation
Advisory Board Minutes
March 16, 2017

- I. Called to Order by Jeff Parks
Members in attendance were Jeff Parks, Jamie Latham, Jeff Harrison, Kim Kearns, Walter Chase, and Preston Peper.
- II. Previous Meeting Minutes
Previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved, motion by Jeff Harrison, seconded by Jamie Latham.
- III. Chairperson Report/County Council Liaison/County Manager Report
None
- IV. Department of Parks and Recreation Report
Recycling at Back Creek & Perry Cabin – *Park Board recommendation is reduce or relocation of recycling bins in both areas.* Discussion with Public Works was to explore the option of relocating bins to the school. Rear situation at the school is not advisable due to not enough exposure. Bins were needed according to Public Works at the Perry Cabin location.
Joint Use with Talbot County Public School – *Park Board recommendation is to rescind the joint use agreement immediately.* County Council supports the idea to relinquish control back to the Board of Education for the following properties: Talbot Middle School, Chapel District Elementary School, Tilghman Elementary School and the Mt. Pleasant practice fields.
Swimming Pool Scholarships – *Park Board recommendation is to contact donor about scholarship amounts, contact potentials donors for GM pool.* The benefactor in St. Michael's paid for ALL the scholarships for 2016. So the decision was left to operate status quo until such time as the scholarships are not being fully reimbursed.
- V. New Business
Grace Creek Appraisal - \$55,000
Website Launch – is scheduled for launch end of March
Program Guide – is complete and will be mailed end of March
Community Center Revenue 2016-17 - Discussion of financials for Community Center, all items are at budget or over budget, total estimate is \$100,000 greater increase in revenue.
Summer Camp Enrollment – Currently over 80% full, extended to 10 weeks instead of 8 weeks.
Budget/Capital Items – Discussion was held about capital items included in the 2017-18 budget which include: compressors, air conditioners, new carpet, redesign front desk area and sewer line.
Double Gym Discussion – Discussion was held regarding possible interest in support for construction of a gym expansion at the TCCC. While the Park Board was not overly optimistic based on past experiences, they were interested and supported Director Peper endeavor to pursue this project.
- VI. Adjournment: Next meeting will be July 27, 2017, 6:00pm