



Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation  
Advisory Board Minutes  
July 20, 2017

- I. Called to Order by Jeff Parks  
Members in attendance were Jeff Parks, Jeff Harrison, Dave Fisher, Kim Kearns, Chuck Callahan, Andy Hollis and Preston Peper.
- II. Previous Meeting Minutes  
Previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved, motion by Jeff Harrison, seconded by Dave Fisher
- III. Chairperson Report/County Council Liaison/County Manager Report  
Jeff Parks reported that Tilghman Elementary ballfields being used and Home Run Baker Park looked good and soccer area being used. Landings look good.
- IV. Department of Parks and Recreation Report
  - **Windy Hill Follow Up:** Mark Komenda and Peper met with DNR at all east side landings. Discussed wash outs at Coveys Landing. Windy Hill beach. DNR will be submitting recommendations to Parks and Recreation.
  - **Pickleball Follow Up:** Jeff Harrison is participating in the pickleball league, Jeff will visit at next meeting about numbers and league play.
  - **Lewistown Road Update:** Conversations ongoing with State Parks, DNR and private sources about possible creation of a Frederick Douglas Park. Rails to Trails possibility.
- V. New Business
  - **Summer Programming Update:** Summer Camp is full, youth dance classes, adult volleyball league, 3 sports camps (basketball, futsal, field hockey)
  - **Summer Swim Lessons Update:** had about 1,100 swim lessons given, \$33,000 in revenue
  - **Pool Membership Discussion:** Current state of sponsorship season pool passes at pools:
    - **GM Pool:** 591 people, \$23,575 sponsorships - (\$5,030 paid)
    - **BH Pool:** 398 people, \$12,125 sponsorships - (\$8,205 paid) – has donorAs minimum wage continues to climb year to year, pool revenue is continue to be shorter and shorter. Council stance has been that pools are a community amenity and a betterment for the community. Discussion about various stances that may be desired by Park Board to take to Council during next FY Budget. Residency requirement. *Credit card in future?*
  - **Water Cannon Request by Master Swimmers:** Request made by the master swimmers to purchase, store and use a water cannon in order to cool water down during summer heat. TCPR staff would have to setup, take down, pay for electricity, store on county property. Park Board voted against supporting this concept.
  - **Ballfield Light expense at Community Center:** Current bill for ballfield lights at TCCC is about \$3,000 annually for user groups that are not programs being run by TCPR. Is there any way to recoup some of the costs?
- VI. Member Reports
- VII. Adjournment: Next meeting will be November 9, 2017, 6:00pm (please note date change)