



TOWN OF EASTON

P.O. Box 520
Easton, Maryland 21601

Park Board minutes

May 21, 2018

Attendees:

Mr. Michael Weise
Mr. Jeff Parks
Mr. Michael Brophy
Mr. Otis Sampson
Mr. Ken McFadden

Others:

Mrs. Lorraine Gould, Director of Parks and Recreation, Town of Easton
Mrs. Katie Reedy, Assistant Town Engineer, Town of Easton

Regular Park Advisory Board meeting brought to order by Mr. Weise. Upon motion by Mr. McFadden, seconded by Mr. Brophy and carried unanimously, minutes of the April 23, 2018 meeting was approved.

Updates to the Park Board from Mrs. Reedy on:

- 1) Surface replacement in the play area in Idlewild Park has been completed. Trees had to be removed from several planting boxes. The roots of the trees were large and growing under the previous surface. Recommend not planting trees in the boxes, to plant small shrubs or flowers.
- 2) Rail Trail Spur Lane is currently in the State Highway hands. This is where the holdup is. Mrs. Reedy will keep the Park Board updated on the progress.

Items from the Director of Parks and Recreation and the Park Board:

- 1) Replacement of the surface in Idlewild Park play area has been completed. It was completed ahead of schedule. Mrs. Gould thought it would be a good idea to look into a maintenance service plan for the surface. We could possibly get more wear out of the surface if we could catch issues early. Did not need to place wear mats down, made area sturdier in high traffic areas.
- 2) Mrs. Gould has reached out to her contact person with the Rotary, Mr. Richie Wheatley, on a potential project for the planting boxes in the play area which is to plant flowers and or shrubs. Whatever is planted in the planters should be low maintenance. Mr. Weise thought it would be a good idea to contact someone who does this for a living to see what

kind of flower and/or shrub would be best to plant in the area. He has a friend and he will check. Mrs. Gould will wait to hear from him and then a recommendation should be sent to the Mayor and Town Council.

- 3) Looking to have Public Works shave dirt down around the outside of the play area. It is holding water and it will continue to lay on the surface if it is not addressed. This will keep the water from seeping in and give it a place to go on the outside of the play area.
- 4) Mrs. Gould is looking to replace play equipment in Matthewstown Run Park. She has reached out to a Miracle Play Equipment representative and he does not appear interested in coming to see the problems. I have to send photos and they try and deal with the issue from there. The representative with Gametime/Cunningham Recreation will meet with me within 48 to 72 hours at the site to deal with the issues whenever I contact him. Members of the Park Board thought it to be a good idea to deal with the company that gives the best business.
- 5) Mrs. Gould is looking to replace oldest play area in Moton Park. The equipment in it is in need of replacement. She will meet with her contact with Program Open Space to see if there is a possibility to apply for a grant this year and report back to the board in order to get a recommendation to the Mayor and Town Council.

Next meeting scheduled June 25, 2018 at noon.

No more business brought before this meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Weise, seconded by Mr. Parks and carried unanimously the meeting was closed at 12:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine Gould, Director of Parks and Recreation, Town of Easton