



TOWN OF EASTON

P.O. Box 520
Easton, Maryland 21601

Park Board minutes

January 27, 2020

Attendees:

Mr. Michael Weise

Mr. Jeff Parks

Mr. Michael Brophy

Mr. Ken McFadden

Others:

Mr. Rick VanEmburch, Town Engineer

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

Mrs. Megan Cook

Mr. Noah Matten

Excused:

Mr. Otis Sampson

Regular Park Advisory Board meeting brought to order by Mr. Weise. Upon motion by Mr. Parks, seconded by Mr. Brophy and carried unanimously, minutes of the November 25, 2019 meeting were approved.

Mrs. Cook and Mr. Matten discussed a conversation that has started concerning bringing a dog park to Easton with the Park Advisory Board. There are two locations in mind and they are RTC Park and Brewers Lane, with Brewers Lane being their preferred location. It is close to downtown area, close to the businesses and there is parking in the area. The thought is they would like to see approximately 60' x 100', 0.5 acres, fenced area (total – 2/3 for big dogs and 1/3 for small dogs), will submit a budget plan to Mrs. Gould in the next couple of weeks, would like to write for a grant and thoughts of splitting the cost three ways (grant, Town and private donations). They are thinking this will be a potential two year project. The plan is to ask Mid-Shore Community Foundation to hold the money. Through much discussion, the Park Advisory Board thanked Mrs. Cook and Mr. Matten for hard work and efforts. They are looking forward to them returning with additional information on their progress. Soon as this group has completed their tasks and are ready, the Park Advisory Board will submit their recommendation to the Town Council.

Items from the Town Engineer, Director of Parks and Recreation and members of the Park Advisory Board:

- 1) Presently aerating the fields at the Sports Complex. Will continue and hit the worn areas especially hard on the multi-purpose (rectangle) fields. Mr. VanEmburch and Mr. McFadden will get together and discuss options for grass/seed/sod on the fields.
- 2) Members of the Park Advisory Board agreed with choice of Kerr and Pyle fields being the choice of fields to place lights if it can be funded. Right now the Town is exploring different funding opportunities.
- 3) The Town is still looking into placing building at the Sports Complex for storage of Park and Recreation equipment and to eliminate the sheds being placed through the complex. Would keep what is on the football field. It serves jointly as a concession stand. Right now, the Town is looking for a viable location. Will continue conversation with updates in the coming months.
- 4) Some of the milling is complete on the Easton Point project. There is still more to be done. Trying to make the area green for a park and must do this for the grant we were awarded.
- 5) Our Public Works Department is working on the Rail Trail project in the area near Easton Village. They are doing a good job.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 24, 2020 at noon.

No more business brought before this meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Brophy, seconded by Mr. McFadden and carried unanimously, the meeting was closed at 1:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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