



TOWN OF EASTON

P.O. Box 520
Easton, Maryland 21601

Park Board minutes

September 28, 2020

Attendees:

Mr. Michael Weise

Mr. Jeff Parks

Mr. Otis Sampson

Mr. Michael Brophy

Others:

Mr. Rick VanEmburch, Town Engineer

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

Mrs. Megan Cook, President Council, Town of Easton

Mr. Noah Matten – Proposed dog park

Mr. David Ferraris – Proposed dog park

Excused:

Mr. Ken McFadden

Regular Park Advisory Board meeting brought to order by Mr. Weise. Upon motion by Mr. Sampson, seconded by Mr. Brophy and carried unanimously, minutes of the August 24, 2020 meeting were approved.

A follow-up presentation from the January 2020 meeting by Mr. Matten and today joined by Mr. Ferraris concerning placing a dog park in the Town of Easton for the Board was made. The request is to place the dog park on Brewer's Lane. The estimated cost is approximately \$200,000, asking to split the cost three ways (grants, the Town and donations), phased in two budget years and ask Mid Shore Community Foundation to hold the money.

Park Advisory Board thanked the visitors for their presentation and voted unanimously to forward their recommendation as a general area to the Mayor and Town Council.

Items from Town Engineer and Director of Parks and Recreation:

- 1) Lights at the Sports Complex-The green light has been given to move forward. The bond money will need to be spent by October 22, 2020 in the amount of \$175,000. Planning

for a fall 2020 installation. Musco Lighting has a sole source contract to do the work. The Town of Easton purchased the lights on the baseball fields from Musco Lighting.

- 2) Pyles Field – the project is considered complete. The Bermuda grass is doing fine. It appears to be on track. Teams have been playing on it. There was a person digging on the field with a spade shovel over the week end. He stopped and left the complex when told. Will need to keep an eye on these things.
- 3) Gazebo at Idlewild – Construction time has been extending to October 31, 2020. Dedication is scheduled November 2020
- 4) Rail Trail extension - Easton Village – Public Works wrapping up this week. Paving to be done by the end of October 2020 Easton Point – benches and trash receptacles has been purchased. Public Works have been requested to do the installation.
- 5) Moton Park – the restoration grant has been approved. The work can begin now. The old play equipment in one section will be removed and new play equipment put in.
- 6) Easton Utilities will be replacing dead trees they planted in RTC and Idlewild Parks this fall. Since we will be doing work to a play area in Moton Park they will contact Talbot County to see if they can replace a couple in the parking lot at Moton Park.

Mr. Parks updated the Advisory Board on topics from his regular meeting with Talbot County Park Advisory Board:

- 1) County Parks and Recreation trying to move forward with building an auxiliary (multi use) gym at the Community Center.
- 2) There is a yellow Historic house on Port Street heading forward the water that County Parks and Recreation is charged with the maintenance on.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 26, 2020 at noon.

No more business came before this meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Weise, seconded by Mr. Parks and carried unanimously, the meeting was closed at 12:56 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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