



TOWN OF EASTON

P.O. Box 520
Easton, Maryland 21601

Park Board minutes

7/23/2012

Attendees:

Mr. Mike Weise – chairperson

Mr. Jeff Parks

Mr. Otis Sampson

Others:

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

Regular meeting brought to order by Mrs. Gould. Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

Mrs. Gould informed the Board of the following:

There will be three upcoming dates for concerts in Idlewild Park. The dates will be August 12 and 18, 2012 and September 9, 2012. There will be no selling in the park during these dates.

Scheduling 41 residents of Easton and 35 non-residents to date reserving the pavilions. This number does not include businesses, churches or civic groups. While we are thinking of how to approach implementing a fee we may need to take in consideration of the use during the weekdays. Uses of the pavilions are not large and usually not all day events. The Board will get together on this with further discussion at a future meeting.

The Back to School PTO will not be using Idlewild Park on September 15, 2012. Per the letter that was received today the group has changed their mind on the park location.

Talbot County Park and Recreation will use the large field at Matthewstown Run park for soccer again this year. We will not supply goals and we are not responsible for goals that they set up. We will continue our normal grass cut at the park.

The summer workforce group worked out well so far again this year. The group consists of four youth and one adult crew leader. They worked in Idlewild Park, Moton Park, Skate park, Rails to Trails, RTC Park and at the sports complex. The group helps clean in the parks, paint, and repaired and painted the gazebo at the sports complex.

The roofs to the dug outs at the sports complex will be repaired in the near future. The material is being donated by Superior Distribution. They are located on St. Michaels Road and the labor is donated by Mr. Chris Jordan and Mr. John Compton. We need to give some thought on how we should recognize these efforts.

The play equipment for the tot lot and exercise equipment for the track at the RTC Park has been ordered. Members of the Board thought the equipment ordered would be a good fit for the park. Work has begun on the comfort stations. All felt it is necessary to wait before ordering goals and placing them on the multi-purpose fields. The grass should have a chance to grow.

Still waiting for the contact person at Genesis to return with the information concerning music and the activities they would like to plan for an event in Idlewild Park. The request may need to be directed to the Easton Police Department for a public assembly permit.

Looking into an area in Mulberry Station (Bretridge) that was set aside for a park. As more information is available it will be brought to the meetings for discussion.

National Night Out is August 7th from 5 – 9 pm in Moton Park. Asking all to come out if possible.

Memorial Bricks are still on sale.

Received a proclamation from Mr. Peter Franchot during his visit to the RTC Park on July 28th. It was a surprise.

Asked the Park Board members to please let her know if there are things they feel should be addressed that she is missing.

The Park Board thought it would be a good idea to consider recycling. They have noticed quite a bit of soda, juice and Gatorade bottles thrown in the skate park. The trash was not put in the trash receptacles. After the trash was picked up it was taken out since it was all recyclable items.

Board members felt the Roman Day event the Latin class at Easton High School wanted to do in Idlewild Park should be done at another location. The walking track should not have the type of activities on it that they are proposing. The track is getting quite a bit of use by walkers and joggers. We would like to see this continue.

Next meeting scheduled August 27, 2012 at noon.

No more business brought before this meeting. Meeting adjourned at 12:52 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine Gould
Director of Parks and Recreation
Town of Easton