



TOWN OF EASTON

P.O. Box 520
Easton, Maryland 21601

Park Board minutes

October 26, 2015

Attendees:

Mr. Michael Weise - Chairperson
Mr. Otis Sampson
Mr. Michael Brophy
Mr. Ken McFadden

Others:

Mrs. Lorraine Gould – Director of Parks and Recreation, Town of Easton
Mrs. Megan Cook- Friends of Easton Point Park project
Mr. Paul Moffett- Easton Utilities Representative
Mr. Rick Van Emburgh-Town Engineer
Mr. Brian Hause

Excused:

Mr. Jeff Parks

Regular Park Advisory Board meeting was opened by Mr. Michael Weise.

Upon motion by Mr. Otis Sampson, seconded by Mr. Michael Brophy and carried unanimously, minutes of the September 28, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

Mrs. Cook representing the Friends of Easton Point Park spoke with the Park Advisory Board on possible future plans for the property at Easton Point. ie bike excess, doing work to the shorelines, adding walkways, pathways maybe having kayaks no motor boats. She would like to come to future meetings with plans for the potential park area as the Friends of Easton Point continues to plan.

Mr. Paul Moffett spoke with the Park Advisory Board on the planting trees in the RTC Park for Easton Utilities annual centennial celebration. He apologized to the Board for not presenting this to them sooner. Mrs. Gould flagged areas in the park where the trees can be planted and locates have been done. With approval and a recommendation from the Park Advisory Board, Easton Utilities will be able to move forward and plant trees this coming Wednesday. Upon motion by

Mr. Otis Sampson, seconded by Mr. Michael Brophy and carried unanimously, the trees are to be planted in RTC Park in the areas marked off by Mrs. Gould.

Mr. Brian Hause spoke to the Park Advisory Board and urged them to be cautious about agreeing to allow too many groups to come into the parks to plant trees. Need to keep focus on where trees are being planted. He stated we do not want to plant trees and have to move them.

The Town Engineer, Mr. Rick Van Emburgh was introduced to the Park Advisory Board.

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

- 1) The play equipment that was vandalized in Waylands Park will be replaced.
- 2) The fashion show that was to be held on October 29th has been cancelled. Mrs. Gould received a message from the Easton Business Alliance that some of the businesses backed out.
- 3) Mrs. Gould is working with her contact at the police department on the candlelight vigil that is proposed to be held in Idlewild Park on December 13, 2015. Since the park is to be closed at dark and the vigil is to be from 6 – 8 pm, special permission will have to be granted. This vigil is for families that have lost love ones. This is a worldwide event.
- 4) Engineered wood fiber has been ordered for RTC Park. The other parks in the town have the engineered wood fiber already placed.
- 5) Annual tree lighting ceremony will be held on December 5, 2015 in Thompson Park.
- 6) Timer for the restroom doors in RTC Park will be set to open at 6:30 am and lock at 5:00 pm beginning the first of November. Time will be adjusted as needed, to open and lock as day light decreases.
- 7) Restrooms in Idlewild Park, Moton Park, and the sports complex will be winterized after Waterfowl weekend.
- 8) Irrigation will be winterized at the sports complex the week after Waterfowl is over. The date has been set and confirmed.
- 9) There will be music in Thompson Park during Waterfowl.
- 10) Memorial bricks are still on sale. Brick order forms can be obtained at Town Hall. Mrs. Gould has asked IT to place the form on the web also.
- 11) Still moving forward looking into placing lights at the sports complex.
- 12) Mrs. Gould will be going to the Planning Commission meeting on November 19, 2015 to answer questions on placing a dog park in the RTC Park. Mrs. Gould is looking to hear from the Friends of Dog Park soon on feedback they may have for the dog park.. She let them use the master plan to have on display at the Bark in the Park.
- 13) Mrs. Gould contacted Acme on details of their donated bench. The bench will be placed in Moton Park. Mrs. Gould will ask Public Works Department to place the bench on a cement slab like the one placed in Idlewild Park.
- 14) Mrs. Gould asked for suggestions and ideas for a drinking fountain in Moton Park or we need to either place asphalt or cement in the area. Gravel and stones are being placed in the drinking fountain drain, in the sinks and in the toilet.

Next regular meeting scheduled for November 23, 3015 at noon.

No more business brought before this meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Michael Brophy , seconded by Mr. Michael Weise and carried unanimously, the meeting was closed at 1:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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