



TOWN OF EASTON

P.O. Box 520
Easton, Maryland 21601

Park Board minutes

July 25, 2016

Attendees:

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

Others:

Mrs. Lorraine Gould
Mrs. Megan Cook, Easton Town Council, Ward Four

Excused:

Mr. Jeff Parks

Regular Park Board meeting brought to order by Mr. Michael Weise. Upon motion by Mr. Otis Sampson, seconded by Mr. Ken McFadden and carried unanimously, minutes of the June 27, 2016 meeting approved as written.

Mrs. Gould and Mrs. Cook spoke with members of the Park Board concerning a meeting they had with Mr. Shelton Hawkins. Mr. Hawkins has proposed making the basketball surface in Idlewild Park mimic art around the Town of Easton. He would like to revitalize the basketball court and see more people use it. The art work would be destination pieces to 1) allow the community and visitors of the community another opportunity to look at a piece of art and 2) revitalize the basketball court to get people on it again. His thought was, if there is an artist that would like to do the design, he would be willing to allow them to help. Mrs. Gould showed an example of the art work Mr. Hawkins is proposing. It is not the actual design. She was hoping to have more examples of designs to share for this meeting, but will share what information she receives from Mr. Hawkins with the Park Board at a later date. Members of the Park Board discussed the possibility of an artist placing the Town seal in the center of the basketball court. They thought that would be something to think about as well. Mr. Hawkins is looking to fund the art work at no cost to the Town of Easton. Mrs. Gould will try to get cost to resurface the existing surface. Mr. Hawkins would like to do this project in August of 2017. Upon motion by Mr. McFadden, seconded by Mr. Sampson and carried unanimously, the Park Board voted to allow Mr. Hawkins to move forward with the art project on both Idlewild and Moton Park

basketball courts, as he will need to secure his funding. He will keep Mrs. Gould in close communication and she will have to approve of the entire project. This recommendation will be sent to the Mayor and Town Council.

Items from the Director of Parks and Recreation:

- 1) 2016 baseball camp was successful.
- 2) Looking forward to having soccer and lacrosse camps in the future.
- 3) The lighting ceremony at the sports complex was awesome and there was a good turnout
- 4) Still taking orders for bricks to go in the Memorial.
- 5) The bench donated from the Acme will be placed in Moton Park.
- 6) Looking to get a quote for replacement of the "pour in place" surface in the play area in Idlewild Park. It is now coming up on 10 years and the present surface has a lot of wear.
- 7) Would like a place a couple of sway benches in the Bretridge park area.
- 8) Recommendation for the dog park to be placed in the RTC Park was approved by the Council. Mr. Al Silverstein has been appointed as liaison.

Next meeting scheduled August 22, 2016 at noon.

No more business brought before this meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Weise, seconded by Mr. Sampson and carried unanimously, the meeting was closed at 12:49 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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