

## RECREATION & PARKS ADVISORY BOARD

Wednesday, January 8, 2020; Fretterd Community Center, Ground Floor Conference Room

Attendance: C. Broadwater, D. Simmons, N. Fisher, M. Keogh, H. Speir, J. Beechey

Absent: J. Phillips, S. Simmons

- I. Board President Welcome (Chip Broadwater) 6:30-6:35
- II. NEW BUSINESS <Action Items> 6:35-7:05
  - a. [Choptank Marina Fee Increase Proposal](#)  
Board agrees that the increases should take place.
  - b. [FY2021 Budget Development Calendar](#) Jamie discussed the budget calendar and let everyone know how important their presence is at meetings. They talked about adding a week to Summer Camp to bridge the gap. D. Simmons mentioned that the Board of Education approved the calendar for next year and there will be a pre-Labor Day start. Summer Camp costs about \$9,800 per day. The BOE has it on their list to support it with \$25,000.00. We will be asking the Commissioners to support with a match of \$25,000.00 Another increase would be having a part-time employee to go out and check on users at fields. H. Speir mentioned that we would have to have a person with really good social skills.
  - c. Other - New information regarding North County Park.
    - The Department is in collaboration with county Environmental Planner Leslie Grunden and Carrie Decker from DNR to design and fund construction to reduce erosion and stream valley degradation along the east west tributary that bisects the park. the estimated cost is still to be determined but the initial investment will be \$20K (funded by an existing POS grant and local funds generated through the ag lease on the property).
    - Our goal is to submit a significant grant funding application to DNRs Chesapeake & Coastal Services Division to fund 100% of the remaining design and construction of the stream stabilization. This proposed phase of the project represents a substantial expenditure of public funds over the next 3 years.
    - These funds will not result in the recreation amenities reflected in the public Master Plan developed in 2019.
- III. OLD BUSINESS<Action Items> 7:05-7:30
  - a. **Check in on Capital Budget Plan Priorities for 2021**  
J. Beechey discussed 2021 priorities:  
Skid Steer for Parks shared with Public Works  
Replacing current Van with Transit  
Upgrading table & chairs for Community Center  
HVAC replacement 15 years old
  - b. **Summer Learning Centers Impact and Funding prospects for Summer of 2020**  
Discussed with the Budget development.
  - c. **CCRP Advisory Board 2020 Leadership Nominations**  
Is the skill set from 2016 still relevant. D Simmons mentioned having people that have a specialty in certain skills areas. H. Speir said that we need to find someone who is open minded and may have experience in a particular area.  
J. Beechey asked the board to look and find new faces to bring to the board.
- IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – SUBMITTED FOR BOARD MEMBER REVIEW 7:30-7:40 p.m.
  - a. Review/Approval of [Meeting Summary](#) from 11/6/19 meeting
  - b. Division Updates **Program Services - [Parks](#) - [Executive Administration](#)**

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ to accept items.

V. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS/UPDATES

7:40-7:50 p.m.

- **March 10- Public Hearings /6:00 PM; Preston Fire Hall, 3680 Choptank Road, Preston, MD**
- **March 14-St Paddy's Race**
- **May 12- Public Hearings / 6:00 PM; Greensboro VFC Community Hall, 13781 Greensboro Rd, Greensboro, MD**

***NEXT BOARD MEETING:  
Wednesday, MARCH 4  
May 6; July 1; September 2; November 4***