

Recreation & Parks Advisory Board (Thursday, May 6, 2021)

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm

2. Roll Call

Members present Fred Parker, Greg Weaver, Christine Kaila (virtual), Chanda Norton, Joshua Shaffer

Members absent Patrick Murphy, Joe Longobardi, Kathryn Weatherly

I move to approve the minutes of April 1, 2021

Motion by Greg Weaver, second by Chanda Norton

Final Resolution: Motion carries

Yea: Fred Parker, Greg Weaver, Christine Kaila, Chanda Norton, Joshua Shaffer

Recreation & Parks Staff Present: Arthur Shepherd, Recreation and Parks Director; Christina Bishop, Project Manager and Darlene Stalcup, Recorder

3. Old Business

Director Shepherd introduced the new Project Manager, Christina Bishop

Capital Improvement Project Updates - Arthur Shepherd and Christina Bishop

- **Lexington Manor Passive Park - looking to September 2021 to complete project**
 - Disc Golf Course Improvements
 - Street Demolition and Pavement Milling
 - Restroom Construction
 - Foot Bridges on Trails
 - Arts Park with Stage
 - New Entrance from Rt. 235
- **Turf Field Project - field 6 will be completed and walk-through tomorrow, May 7; tournaments to be held; public schools ability to use the fields**
 - \$7,500,000 Project
 - Six fields with lights
 - Chancellors Run Regional Park, Chaptico Park, Lancaster Park
- **Three Notch Trail - Phase 7, 3.3 miles that goes past Wildwood Shopping Center**
 - Design team finalizing drawings in preparation to submit to SHA and LUGM at 95% completion level
 - Design team continues to work with DPWT in storm water management
 - Working on resubmitting the 404 Wetlands planning and management permit to the Army Corp of Engineers
 - CAPRA Submission timeline
 - 5/1/21 - Document Drafts Due
 - All policies, plans and procedure drafts are due to the CAPRA team for review.
 - 5/20/21 - Internal Document Review Complete
 - All document reviews are complete by the CAPRA team.
 - 5-6/2021 - Board Endorsement
 - Documents chosen for R&P board review and endorsement presented and adopted to board.
 - 8/2021 - Narratives and Evidence Completed
 - All narratives are complete, and all evidence documents are on the s: drive in corresponding files.
 - 9/2021 - Narrative Swap
 - CAPRA Team reviews each other's chapters and send any suggestions to author
 - 10/2021 - Finalization of Chapters
 - All team members review their sections and report 100% completion to CAPRA manager input.

- 10-11/2021 - Final review and edit
 - CAPRA Management Team final review and edit
- 12/2021 - Narratives and Associated Pieces of Evidence
 - All the narratives and associated pieces of evidence will be downloaded to the CAPRA System.
- 1/2022 - CAPRA Submission
- 2022 - Spring 2022 CAPRA visit
- **Shannon Farm**
 - Survey work is complete
 - Trail center line has been identified
 - Maryland Department of Environment has been on site
 - Working with US Navy regarding identified wetlands
 - Master Plan Concept has been developed for R&P review
 - 30% construction documents scheduled for delivery on July 1
- **Snow Hill - Board Member Joshua Shaffer would like to be an Internal Stakeholder**
 - Archaeological work 90% complete
 - Survey and Geotech work to begin on May 17th
 - Wetland flagging May 17th
 - Master Plan and boat ramp & kayak launch work will be addressed concurrently
 - Internal Stakeholder review - June 17th
 - Community Stakeholder review - week of July 1st

Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan - Arthur Shepherd

- Goal 1: Expand the inventory of County managed athletic fields and sport courts, and enhance the condition of current fields and courts to improve the playability of field surfaces
- Goal 2: Expand opportunities for water access and waterfront recreation throughout the County.
- Goal 3: Create a network of connected walkways, trails, and paths throughout the County.
- Goal 4: Continue to operate, maintain, and improve existing County parks, recreation facilities, museums and open spaces in an efficient and cost-effective manner for the benefit of the residents and the visitors

What is the plan for the next five years? - Arthur Shepherd

- Two more dog parks are needed in the Northern & Central parts of the county
- View the Commissioners meeting on May 4 on YouTube in regard to the YMCA Fundraising
- Add YMCA discussion to the June 3 Board Meeting agenda

Open Session

- How is the discussion going with the College of Southern Maryland in regard to operating the Aquatic and Wellness Center on the Leonardtown Campus?
 - Director Shepherd replied that still in the planning stage working with the vice president of CSM to move forward on how to transition between the two organizations. Positively moving forward.

4. Adjourn

I move to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm

Motion by Joshua Shaffer, **second by** Chanda Norton

Final resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Fred Parker, Greg Weaver, Christine Kaila (virtual), Chanda Norton, Joshua Shaffer

The next meeting of the Recreation and Parks Board is scheduled for Thursday, June 3, 2021.