

Recreation & Parks Advisory Board (Thursday, June 3, 2021)

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:35pm

2. Roll Call

Members present Patrick Murphy, Fred Parker, Joe Longobardi, Greg Weaver, Christine Kaila, Chanda Norton

Members absent Kathryn Weatherly, Joshua Shaffer

I move to approve the minutes of May 6, 2021

Motion by Greg Weaver, second by Fred Parker

Final Resolution: Motion carries

Yea: Patrick Murphy, Fred Parker, Joe Longobardi, Greg Weaver, Christine Kaila, Chanda Norton

Recreation & Parks Staff Present: Arthur Shepherd, Recreation and Parks Director; Andrew Ponti, Marketing Manager Museum Division and Darlene Stalcup, Recorder

3. New Business

1. Museum Division Overview – presented by Andrew Ponti
 1. Manages a total of 95 acres of property, which include 7 historic structures, 5 modern support structures, and a variety of other physical assets.
 1. St. Clement’s Island Museum – opened in 1975
 2. Assists with the monitoring of St. Clement’s Island State Park
 3. Piney Point Lighthouse Museum and Historic Park – sits in a 6-acre park and includes 2 museum buildings and a kayak launch
 4. Drayden African American Schoolhouse – Built circa 1890, used as a school until 1944. Occupies its original site, has not been significantly altered, but has been lovingly restored. One of the best preserved African American schoolhouses in the country.
 5. Old Jail Museum – was opened in 2020 as a museum and Leonardtown Visitor Center
 2. Major Projects – working with partners
 1. Civil War Trails
 2. Equal Justice Initiative
 3. St. Mary’s County Public Library
 4. St. Mary’s County Public Schools
 3. St. Clement’s Island Museum Capital Improvement Project

1. Total Cost: \$2,544,485
2. Design work 2021
3. Demolition February 2022
4. Occupy new building November 2022
4. Programs are back in 2021!
2. Park Use Permit for the Friends of the St. Clement's Island and Piney Point Museum
 1. I move to approve the following Park Use Permit for the Friends of the St. Clement's Island and Piney Point Museums.
 2. Potomac Jazz and Seafood Festival – July 10 2021
 3. Retro Fest on the Potomac – September 18, 2021

Motion by Greg Weaver, second by Chanda Norton

Final Resolution: Motion carries

Yea: Patrick Murphy, Fred Parker, Joe Longobardi, Greg Weaver, Christine Kaila, Chanda Norton

4. Old Business

1. Project Updates – presented by Director Shepherd
 1. Lexington Manor Passive Park
 2. Disc Golf Course – 16 new Tee pads
 3. Rt. 235 Entrance – no entrance on Coral Drive
 4. Restroom Construction – September 2021
 5. Street Demolition, Pavement Milling, Walking Path (10' wide) – Salamaua Court & Lei Drive
 6. Performance stage
2. Dorsey Park Restrooms
 1. Estimated completion – September 2021
3. Three Notch Trail
 1. Design team finalizing drawings in preparation to submit to SHA and LUGM at 95% completion level
 2. Design team continues to work with DPWT in storm water management
 3. Working on resubmitting the 404 Wetlands planning and management permit to the Army Corp of Engineers
4. Snow Hill
 1. Archaeological work complete
 2. Phase 2 needed for drive way and, parking area of boat ramp
 3. Survey work complete
 4. Geotech work complete in June 2021
 5. Wetland flagging complete
 6. Master Plan and boat ramp & kayak launch work will be addressed concurrently
 7. Internal Stakeholder review – June 17th

8. Community Stakeholder review – week of July 1st
 9. Community Stakeholder Team selected
 5. Gymnastics Center Lease
 1. Current lease expires May 31, 2022
 2. Input from Parent Group
 3. Location, size, amenities & design, self-supporting program
 4. 1993 – 5,000 square feet
 5. 1995 – current 12,453 square feet
 6. YMCA Discussion
- 5. Adjourn**

I move to adjourn the meeting at 6:42pm

Motion by: Fred Parker, second by Greg Weaver

Final resolution: Motion carries

Yea: Patrick Murphy, Fred Parker, Joe Longobardi, Greg Weaver, Christine Kaila, Chanda Norton

The next meeting of the Recreation and Parks Board is scheduled for Thursday, August 5, 2021.