

**RECREATION AND PARKS BOARD  
OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY  
Thursday, June 29, 2017  
5:30 PM**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Doug Bellis, Chairperson; Caroline King, Vice-Chairperson; Dick Buckler, Ashley Varner, and Floyd Warren.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jake Heibel, Patrick Murphy, Thomas Nelson and Fred Parker.

**RECREATION AND PARKS STAFF AND OTHERS PRESENT:** Arthur Shepherd, Interim R&P Director; David Guyther, Parks Manager; Tyrone Harris, Facilities Coordinator; and Kathy Bailey, Recorder. Others in attendance included: Bill Hunt, Director, Land Use and Growth Management; Grace Mary Brady, Historic Preservation Planner, LU&GM; members of the Historic Preservation Commission; and Jason Babcock, Enterprise Newspaper.

**SNOW HILL PARK TOUR**

Members and guests present toured the new Snow Hill Park property. Interim Director Arthur Shepherd provided a brief overview of acquisition project.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Doug Bellis called the meeting to order at approximately 5:45 p.m. at Snow Hill Park.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Caroline King moved, seconded by Ashley Varner, to approve the minutes of May 4, 2017; motion carried with all in favor.**

**ELMS BEACH PARK MASTER PLAN**

The Board continued the review of the Elms Beach Park draft master plan from the June 1, 2017 meeting at Elms Beach Park.

**Floyd Warren moved, seconded by Dick Buckler, to approve the draft Elms Beach Park Master as presented.**

**FIELD USE PLAN OVERVIEW**

Mr. Shepherd provided an outline of the current athletic field use policy. Staff would like to examine the current policy with regard to inclement weather in light of concerns

voiced by parents and coaches. Mr. Shepherd anticipates a status report from R&P staff for the August Board meeting; public input in September; and presentation of the draft policy in October. Any changes requiring fiscal impact would be addressed during the FY2019 budget process.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Shepherd presented a request for an Alcohol Consumption permit from the St. Clement's Hundred for the Osprey Gala to be held at St. Clement's Island Museum on October 6, 2017.

**Ashley Varner moved, seconded by Caroline King, to approve the Alcohol Consumption Permit from the St. Clement's Hundred for the Osprey Gala; motion carried with all in favor.**

## **NEXT MEETING OF R&P BOARD**

The next meeting of the Recreation and Parks Board is scheduled for Thursday, August 3, 2017.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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Kathy Bailey, Recorder

Minutes approved by the Recreation and Parks Board on August 3, 2017.