

**CATONSVILLE RECREATION & PARKS COUNCIL**  
**MEETING MINUTES Date: October 24, 2017**  
Meeting started at 7:03 pm

**ATTENDANCE:** Natalie Powell, Kelly Benefiel, Joe Koehler, Meaggan Aiosa, Katie Harris, Michelle Washington, Michelle White, Angie Voll, John Birrane, Joe Herrick, Daniel Sprechman, Tim Gelles, Donald Gorsuch, Everett Winchester, Pat Brady, Peggy Granok, Kelly Libertini, Barry Lloyd, Rick Wiker, Peggy Lea Gosnell, Tenia Engram, Bruce Simperts, Keith Arnold, Dennis Kellton, Troy Stevenson

Motion to approve October Minutes. Seconded and approved.

Clarification requested regarding meetings – is it the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday or last Tuesday. It is the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. Michelle is checking the county calendar to verify the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday is available.

Next meeting will be November 28, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

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#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Regarding the \$3,000,000 from building. It can not be used for lights. It was use it or lose it and has been absorbed into BCPS funds.

The county is asking for the remaining \$75,000 to pay for the lights at Spring Grove. This will be discussed at a future meeting.

Coffee with Kevin is at Banneker tomorrow morning from 10-11:30 am.

Drop in fees – no one has contacted Natalie regarding the drop in fee being added to registration. If you need/want it, please contact Natalie.

#### **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Volunteer background checks must be completed before every season. (Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Parent, etc)

Q: Are people contacted if they do not pass the background check?

A: You can check to see if you have been approved. It is a long document, but you can just search for your name. But yes, programs are notified. If you want to appeal the decision, you can submit a letter to Barry Williams if you want to appeal and he will review on a case by case basis.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

N/A

## **SECRETARY REPORT**

Meeting minutes were sent out.

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Scholarships: All scholarships from the Spring were paid out.

New Registration Systems: Wrestling is using TeamSnap. (Fee: \$250 for a league account) Soccer has an account and you can piggyback on it if you want to try it. Lacrosse is using Blue Sombrero (Free)

Paid to fund the Catonsville Men's Civic Center Easter Egg Hunt and Fourth of July

## **COMMUNITY SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Michelle apologized for the location change. Banneker Community Center was being painted and prepped for Coffee with Kevin.

Background Checks: Please check the approved list to make sure all volunteers have been approved. The background check is good for one year.

No Shows: teams are not showing up on fields or building. Staff are working. If this continues, programs will be responsible for paying for the staff's hours. Please call the office by 3:00 PM the day of your practice or Kenny, Herb or Bonita after 3:00 pm to notify if the space is not needed.

Spring Grove Turf: Respect the staff please and the rules:

1. No Gatorade – only water
2. With Spring Grove being a smaller field, only coaches and players on the field at Spring Grove. Parents are not allowed on the field. Parents have to sit in the bleachers.

All programs have to end on time. Staff is not paid to work overtime.

Gym assignments: not designated if more than one person is using a site. If sending schedule, identify the program so Michelle knows who is responsible for payment.

Registrations:

1. Liability for county and the council if individuals are not registered.
2. Even tryouts need a signed waiver.
3. Send Michelle a print out of registered participants. This should not be rosters – a master registration list is needed.
4. Staff will be doing random checks to make sure all participants are registered.

Adult Programs at Western Tech need to end at 10:00 pm. The principal and Athletic Director requested that so the area can be cleaned by custodians before they leave for the night.

FYI: There was a request for Pickle ball (modified Tennis). What are some possible sites? Michelle suggested Catonsville Middle School.

Adding a pavilion at the Senior Center near the Tennis Courts.

Trunk or Treat will be held at Banneker Community. All are welcome to join for those that celebrate Halloween. You can decorate your trunk.

Catonsville Elementary School Fieldhouse:

The Scoreboard is not working. The school construction crew ran the wrong wires. The remote control is missing. The current scoreboard is discontinued (only make the lights) but they can repair it. So there are some options:

1. \$2600 to run the new wires (would have to bring lift) and get a new controller but no guarantee that it will work.
2. \$3300 to make it wireless
3. \$7000 to buy a new wireless scoreboard and controller

Q: Can we talk to BCPS about the cost? Can the construction company have responsibility? Basketball has purchased 2 scoreboards (one in the armory and the one in the field house) but it is not the programs fault it is not working because it is a result of the construction.

Q: Softball pitching mound is missing and home plate was moved. Can these be replaced/fixed?

Q: There are not Port-a-pots at Woodbridge Valley ES? Who can be contacted regarding this?

A: Maurice Watkins

Q: Is the \$ for the new community center gone?

A: Yes, the old Catonsville ES is having interior remodeling and we will have limited space there, but the compensation from giving up Bloomsbury is gone

Q: "Pickup" Soccer is using the field at Spring Grove. Is there a staff person there?

A: There should be a staff person up there. Call Kenny and Herb if there is not staff and police can be called because they are not permitted. Michelle can provide you with your permit to show if you request it.

Q: 30+ Senior Basketball at Catonsville MS is concerned that the gym is not being used by a youth program. Can programs coordinate so adult programs can start earlier?

A: The allotment scheduled was released October 7. Youth basketball ends at 8:30. Adult programs do not start until 9:00. Michelle clarified that youth has priority until 9.

There is also a concern that Catonsville MS is bumping programs at the last minute and for multiple days.

A: Angel contacts all schools twice a week for cancellations and sends a blackout list biweekly. Staff is reaching out, but does not always get the full list.

Q: Can Michelle meet with CMS principal regarding concerns?

A: Yes. Please email Michelle with your issues and she will contact to discuss concerns.

There was a concern regarding indoor allocations. There was not allocation for Saturdays for indoor soccer. The program has to pay for Goals. Are there other programs that have to pay for rentals?

Q: Michelle asked if the program would be willing to go to another area.

A: Only if it is close.

Q: Should an Audit committee be established?

A: No, just recertified last month through 2018, but can revisit late spring.

## **ITEMS FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNCIL**

Request motion to adjourn.

This meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on November 28, 2017 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Meaggan Aiosa