

Countywide Recreation and Parks Advisory Board

Tuesday, February 19, 2019
Meeting Notes

Present: Board: Safiatou Barry, Carl Blake, Lyle Ganz, Howard Goldberg, Karen Kincer, Matthew Lee, Carol Petrucci, Mark Pharaoh, Bradley Ryan, Michael Shimoff, and Rasheda Vereen **Ex-Officio:** N/A. **Staff:** Robin Riley, Adriane Clutter, Amanda DeFilippo, and John Nissel

Absent: Brian Banks, Morton Davis, Chris Richardson, Melanie Stickle, Jeffrey Szuchman, and Felecia Wilson

Quorum reached and meeting called to order by Carol Petrucci at 6:45 p.m.

- *Quorum eleven (11) present*

Welcome - Chair

- Carol Petrucci welcomed board members and staff

Review of Agenda

- No updates were made to the agenda.
- Review and Approval of December 10, 2018 Minutes
 - Motion made by Karen Kincer to approved minutes with no new corrections, seconded by Carl Blake. Approved.

Announcements

- John Nissel announced that Parks staff member, Jamie Kuhns, published the book, "*Sharp Flashes of Lightning Come from Black Clouds: The Life of Josiah Henson.*"
- Karen Kincer recapped her attendance at the Running USA Conference and believes that she will be able to share learned best practices with the group. In addition, she thanked Parks for keeping parks clean and safe.
- Carl Blake announced that he attended the Friends of Warner Circle Mansion. The Warner Circle Mansion is in the Warner Circle Park in Kensington, MD.

Ex Officio Reports

- Community Use of Public Facilities
 - No report.
- Commission on Aging
 - Needs representation, see action item.
- Community Action Board
 - Submitted report electronically.
- Montgomery County Public Schools
 - No report.
- Commission on People with Disabilities
 - No Report

Recreation Update - Robin Riley

- Submitted report electronically.
- FY 20 budget savings are still in the works.
- FY 20 budget will be released on March 15th.
- On February 25, there will be a Supplemental Meeting on the South County Regional Recreation and Aquatic Center. Facility is planned for Downtown Silver Spring and will be approximately 128,000 sq. ft. More details can be found at <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DGS-BDC/SS/721701.html>.
- MLK, Jr. Swim Center will close in May 2019 for rehabilitation.

Parks Report – John Nissel

- Submitted report electronically.
- Summer Camp registration is going well, over 61% full.
- Community Garden Project is underway. More details can be found at <https://www.montgomeryparks.org/community-gardens/>.
- Dog Parks are in high demand. Parks is currently performing a Dog Parks Site Suitability (DPSS) Study. Community members can attend open town hall meetings or provide input online. More details can be found at <https://montgomeryparks.org/projects/directory/dog-parks-site-suitability-study/>.

Unfinished Business

- Google Classroom
 - If you need additional help, please see Amanda.
- Reviewed action items, see table below.

7:00pm Adjourn

| Action Items | Start Date | Complete Date | Assigned To/Notes |
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| Provide board with budget reduction impacts. | 12/10/18 | Budget released on 3/15/19 | Recreation & Parks |
| Connect Carol with Commission on Aging. | 12/10/18 | | Robin will work with Carol |
| Deep dive topics for upcoming meetings, list in December 2018 Minutes | 12/10/18 | | Carol |
| Current Capital Improvement Project Plans. | 12/10/18 | | Recreation & Parks |
| Updated contact list with region assignments, subcommittee assignments and board training. | 12/10/18 | | Recreation |
| Upcoming Regional Meetings list. | 12/10/18 | | Recreation |
| Provide Board with list of previous subcommittees. | 12/10/18 | | Amanda |
| See if Recreation and Parks can be added to CUPF Annual Surveys. | | | |

| Completed | | | |
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| Provide board with upcoming listening sessions and put on google calendar. | 12/10/18 | 12/12/18 | Amanda |
| Add a document on google classroom for members to document community announcements. | 12/10/18 | 2/1/19 | Added a Community Announcement Feed. |
| Add an item to agenda under Announcements for members to bring formal and informal community announcements. | 12/10/18 | 2/1/19 | Introduced on February Agenda |