

## **Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee Meeting**

**Minutes** Jan. 13, 2015

Ocean Pines Community Center

Assateague Room 7pm

**Next meeting: Feb.10**

In attendance: Chair; Roy Forman, BOD Liaison: Sharyn O'Hare, Staff Liaison Sonya Bounds, Secretary Tres Denk, Marie Gilmore, Skip Schlesinger

Absent: Members; Tim McMullen, Terri More, Jim Wahl, Ray Unger

### **Announcements**

Shayrn brought up Ray's continued absence. We should ask him to formally resign in writing so we can acquire another member.

Roy handed out a budget draft.

Sonya handed out the Rec. dept. Budget work sheet.

Budget goes public Feb. 7. Feb. 21 is the final budget vote.

Tres will be absent for the next meeting.

### **Old Business**

Mulch: The mulch expense of \$1500. seems to be very low . Also the depth of mulch needs to be correct.

ADA Compliance: Sonya reports \$19,000 is budgeted for ADA access. This will be used at Whitehorse Park and Somerset Park. How to get started once approved? Removal of trees in Somerset Park parking lot.

Parks: 1. White Horse Park is most used and needs new equipment. 2. Huntington Park needs complete new design and equipment and is in the budget. Sonya is going with soccer fields 3. Bainbridge Park This park has terrible parking and very little equipment and no shade. Not ADA accessible at all. 4. Robin Hood Park could have new equipment. Every year one park should be upgraded.

Gym Floor: Sonya explained the repair process to repair bubbles.

Unfortunately new bubbles are being created from repair work.

Unsatisfactory conclusion. Sonya doesn't think they even used the better glue. OC Floor Gallery has not billed her. Skipped asked about which department pays for this and if it comes out of her budget or public works?

The facility manager gave a report to the board. The GM feels this the economical way to go. We all went to the gym to look at the bubbles. We found the bubbles to be obvious and a safety issue. Skip brought up the banners that could be in the gym.

Trail Report: Tres met with GM. we discussed Robin Hood Park Trail awaiting directional /informational signs. The Library Trail extension is awaiting approval. The pump track maybe brought up again in 2015. Bainbridge Park will host a Take a Kid Mountain biking Day. Tres will work with Jackie Stewart to plan event.

Computer System: This will be addressed in the fall. WIFI bids are from \$1500-\$10,000

Baseball Field: Sonya is getting the baseball field into kids tournaments. This could offer a value to advertisers. The MaryMac donation may be used for a needed concession stand.

Sharyn asked about sponsorships and advertising.

A new chair for this board needs to be decided on.

Sonya is having an employee certified in playground equipment.

### **New Business**

We will work with the marketing dept. to gain sponsors and advertisers.

We went over the budget line by line.

Wifi is needed for the community center but taken out of the budget.

New floor in Assateague room.

Bathrooms at Whitehorse Park Crafter building need to be rebuilt.

### **Committee Actions**

Sharyn will ask for the WIFI to be in the budget.

Sharyn will work on advertising and sponsors for rec. dept. once budget is complete. Could PMRC, Pohanka and other businesses help us fund better parks?

Sharyn will look into the pool computer issue.