



## TOWN OF EASTON

P.O. Box 520  
Easton, Maryland 21601

### **Park Board minutes**

9/24/07

Attendees:

#### **Park Board members:**

Mike Weise – chairperson

Ken McFadden

Edward Pinder

#### **Others:**

Robert Karge – Town Manager

Lorraine Gould – Acting Director of Parks and Recreation

Regular meeting called to order by Park Board chairperson, Mike Weise with three (3) Park board members, Town Manager, and Acting Director of Parks and Recreation present. Minutes of previous meeting approved.

#### **Items by Town Manager:**

He will draft a formal policy for the Board to look at concerning the use of town parks and the sports complex to sell items and for religious activities being held months at a time. Board members were reminded that approval of events does not constitute advisement. These items will have to be approved by the Town council.

#### **Items by Acting Director of Parks and Recreation:**

Field use signs in Spanish are ready to put up at North Easton Sports Complex. There will be signs in English and in Spanish, “Keep Off, Field Use by Permit Only” at the front gate upon entering the complex and in the area of each of the fields. Also, the “No Trespassing when closed” signs are ready to put up at the skate park on the gate. Board members unanimously agreed to have public works put the signs up soon as possible. Lorraine will send rules for the signs to Megan Cook that will go out to the play area.

Ilex will make the sign. The sign should have the following rules:

1. Shoes are recommended.
2. No skate boards, roller blades, bikes or scooters allowed.
3. No food or beverages allowed.
4. No smoking
5. Please do not remove sand from designated areas.
6. Water fountain is for drinking only.
7. No pets, leashed or unleashed.

Board members passed the rules. It was mentioned to Megan Cook and Dee Craig (Friends of the park) to communicate with the Town before doing, replacing or buying things for the park then sending in bills for reimbursement.

Lorraine is getting bids to resurface the tennis courts at Idlewild. Will be putting an additional parking lot near the basketball court. This will double the parking that we currently have. We would like to establish a parking lot first before thinking about putting a hard surface down. Board agreed to have Lorraine or Michele lock the bathrooms at both Idlewild and Moton Parks each night at dusk. If they are out of town of something, they can contact one of the board members to do it. The parks are actually closed at night anyway so this should not be a problem. If a person is caught destroying property they will be prosecuted.

Corporate office at Acme donated a recycled park bench that is to go out at Idlewild. Public works is going to put a cement pad down for it when the cement pads are put down for the new trash receptacles. We will be putting grass in area of play area. There was some left over building material that can not be located. It should be at public works and at this point it is not. We are still trying to recover it. May see something in the paper concerning it if the whereabouts do not turn up soon.

New slide destroyed at Moton Park. Police were notified. There is another slide that is cracked.

Skate park hours have been adjusted to:

Monday through Friday 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Saturday 12:00 noon to 7:00 pm and Sunday 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm. These hours will be adjusted again as it will be getting dark sooner. Lorraine is still keeping track of skate park attendance.

We will be putting more trash receptacles at the park in Chapel East.

Police is monitoring the parking situation closer at North Easton Sports Complex. There is a lot of illegal parking and safety is a concern. We may want to think about holding one of the spaces in the gravel area for handicap parking.

Park and Recreation staff now has uniforms. It is a standard dress code.

#### **Items from the Board:**

Ken will meet with Bridges soon as he can to set up a time for them to come out to North Easton Sports Complex to do the fields. Ken will coordinate with everyone in case others on the board would like to come out. Ken reported

that the price will be consistent at \$1500 per field + or -  
a couple hundred dollars.

Next regular meeting will be 10/22/07 12:00 at Town Hall.

No more business brought before this meeting. Meeting  
adjourned at 12:47 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine Gould  
Acting Director of Parks and Recreation  
Town of Easton