

Chestertown Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

6:00 pm, Monday, April 11, 2022

Chestertown Town Hall

Attending: Chair Jim Bogden, Secretary Frank Rhodes, and Member Danielle Cudone. Also, nominated member Dwight Zilinskas and guest Stu Gray.

1. Approval of minutes of January and February meetings.

Frank introduced the motion to accept the minutes from the January 10 and February 28, 2022 meetings without amendment. Danielle seconded. The motion was adopted. (Note there was no meeting in March).

2. Introduction of new Commissioners.

Jim welcomed new member Danielle Cudone and prospective member Dwight Zilinskas to the Commission. Each member summarized their background and reasons for joining the Commission.

3. Proposed "On The Water" weekend.

Dwight and Stu shared their proposal for the Rec Commission to sponsor a family fun day with an emphasis on water-related activities. All agreed planning should proceed.

4. Wilmer Park playground update.

Jim provided an update on the fundraising and installation progress.

5. Planning for Bailey Park improvements.

The group discussed possible activities to gather public input on developing Bailey Park, such as distributing written and online surveys. These plans will be further refined in collaboration with Ward 2 Councilmember Tim O'Brien.

6. Review recommendations to the Town's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) task force.

The group quickly revisited its list of priorities, including bicycle paths, a bridge to gateway Park, bathrooms in Wilmer and Bailey Parks, and improvements to Carpenter Park.

7. Next regular meeting date is May 9, 2022.