

**City of Salisbury, Maryland
City Park Committee
August 21, 2014
Government Office Building
Room 306**

Minutes

Present

Chris Roberts, Chair
Amal Ali
David Herrick
Darren Lumpkin, Vice Chair
Laura Mitchell, Council Representative
David Plotts, Secretary

Not Present

Public Works Representatives

Doug Draper
Mike Moulds

Members of the Public (1)

Call to Order: Chris Roberts, Chair, called the regular meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: David Plotts passed out minutes from the following meetings for review and approval: February 20, 2014; March 20, 2014; April 17, 2014; May 15, 2014; June 19, 2014; and July 17, 2014. A motion was made by Darren Lumpkin, seconded by Amal Ali, and carried to approve the minutes as presented.

Public Works Report: Doug Draper reported on current activities in the Park, such as National Night Out, former Public Works Director - Will Elliott's Class Reunion, a tree maintenance contract, and the Boy Scouts request for another tri-county event in the park. Mike Moulds filled the Committee in on two requests by individual Boy Scouts for their Eagle Scout project. He stated that one will rework the clay and clean up some of the horseshoe pits, and the other is planning to build six sets of cornhole boards for permanent installation. Mike also stated that the bandstand had been recently renovated with grant funds, that the cannon is worn and will need repair, and that the City Council had recently approved upgrading the tennis court lighting.

Master Plan Update: Mike Moulds said that the RFP is due on Friday, 8/22. The plan is to bring the proposals to the Committee for their input prior to vendor recommendation to Council.

Peace Pole Request: Mike Moulds brought forward a request by Lou Rimbach, who would like to donate and install a Peace Pole in the City Park. Mike passed around a sample photo, of which the pole would have a peace saying in multiple languages.

After discussion, a motion was made by Amal Ali to institute a moratorium, for up to 9 months, until the master plan is complete, on any new items, additions, or changes to the park, including new benches or trees. Maintenance on existing items was excluded from the moratorium motion. The motion was seconded for discussion. After discussion on the effects of the moratorium, Amal Ali withdrew her motion.

Laura Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Darren Lumpkin, and carried that the Committee make a favorable recommendation for consideration of the Peace Pole in the master planning process for possible placement by the September 2015 Peace Day.

Quorum / Membership / Bylaws: Chris Roberts brought up how the Committee is currently structured with regards to quorum. Laura Mitchell provided recommendations on solutions, and how a review of the bylaws could be performed. David Plotts stated he had done some research and had a set of revised bylaws, which included new language with regards to quorum and other language borrowed from neighboring towns and the city's new bicycle committee. David passed out his proposed bylaws for the Committee's review. He stated he would send a redlined version via email to the Committee and he would also send out the original Council approved bylaws.

Meeting Adjournment: A motion was made by Darren Lumpkin, seconded, and carried to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.



David Plotts
Secretary