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City of Salisbury, Maryland
Parks & Recreation Committee
May 16, 2017

Minutes

<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
David Plotts, MSM, Chairman	DJ Lumpkin, Secretary
Chris Roberts, Vice Chairman	Amal Ali, PhD
David Herrick	Kevin Lindsay
Mike Perry	
Muir Boda, Council Liaison	
Mike Moulds, PE, Public Works Director	
Doug Draper, Parks Superintendent	

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8 **Call to Order:** David Plotts called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm at Newton-Camden Tot Lot.
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10 **Park Improvements:** The Committee walked around the park and discussed it. Ideas for
11 improvement include painting the picnic tables, painting swing poles, adding a water fountain,
12 adding wood borders around the playground equipment to retain the mulch, adding a BBQ pit, and
13 adding additional benches. A member of the public requested an electric outlet to charge telephones.
14 The Committee noticed how well landscaped and maintained the park was.
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16 The Committee adjourned and relocated to the Government Office Building – Room 306.
17 David Plotts called the meeting back to order at 6:15 pm.
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19 **Public Works Update:** Doug Draper updated the Committee on the various runs/walks in the area.
20 All playgrounds have been mulched with certified playground mulch. Waterside Park's basketball
21 court had been painted. Also at Waterside, the old baseball backstop had been removed, and a leader
22 of the neighboring church was in contact so the City could obtain an easement for the new
23 community garden.
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25 **City Park Master Plan:** David Plotts distributed drafts of the Master Plan via email or mail prior to
26 the meeting. Additional copies were handed out at the meeting. The Committee reviewed the
27 narrative and made recommended changes for David to incorporate. Mike Moulds would send his
28 comments to David via email. Via email, prior to the meeting, Amal asked that the Committee send
29 the Master Plan through the Planning Department, so language could be standardized. David Plotts
30 recommended the new City Planner, once hired. The Donation Policy was mentioned as an item that
31 needed updating, as it was included in the Master Plan task list. David Plotts said he would bring a
32 draft revision to the next meeting for review.
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34 **Committee Membership:** David Plotts brought to the Committee's attention the lack of attendance
35 from DJ. Additionally, DJ had not been responding to any of David's text messages or email. It was
36 decided, before action would be taken, Chris would reach out to DJ and attempt to find out if he was
37 still interested in remaining on the Committee. Other prospective members were mentioned,
38 including Joy and Vernon Gibson, and Austin Widdowson.
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40 With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.
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42 David Plotts,
43 Chairman