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**City of Salisbury, Maryland
Parks & Recreation Committee
September 15, 2020**

Minutes

<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Chris Roberts, Committee Member	
Doug Draper, Parks Dept.	Dr. Brante' Dashiel, Committee Member
David Plotts, Chairperson	
David Herrick, Secretary	April Jackson, City Council Liason
Joe Anderson, Committee Member	
Mike Pioruski, Committee Member	
Mike Perry, Committee Member	

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8 **Call to Order:** David Plotts called the meeting to order at 5.42PM at the Edible Garden, 146 W.
9 Market St., Salisbury, MD 21801.

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11 **Minutes:** Mr. Herrick's dog ate the minutes from last meeting and were unavailable for comment or
12 vote. He will present them at the next meeting.

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14 **Park Review:** The Edible Garden was observed to be in very good condition with orderly raised
15 beds planted with vegetables and herbs, strawberries being particularly noticeable. Martin
16 Hutchinson designed the garden and he included programmable irrigation supplied by a nearby
17 standpipe. Mr. Draper mentioned that there is a pedestrian bridge planned to connect the immediate
18 area to the roundabout on Mill St. across the Wicomico River. Mr. Draper then commented on City
19 Park where certain large trees will be removed and, due to resident concerns, will close trim the
20 riverside in a staggered fashion to keep some vegetation. Additional trees and plants, including but
21 not limited to shadbush, hibiscus and switch grass will be planted and Alyssa Hastings, City
22 Sustainability Coordinator will procure funding for native vegetation. Beavers will be discouraged
23 from damaging new plantings. Erosion below S. Park Drive will be addressed by a yet to be
24 determined method. Concern about Waterside Park community garden was brought up and it was
25 agreed that the problem was insufficient volunteer base for maintenance and improvement. It was
26 thought that City Housing and Community Development or Health and Wellness Committee might
27 be of assistance.

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29 **Other Business:** The committee heard no new business.

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31 **Adjournment:** Since there was no more immediate business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was
32 made by David Herrick and seconded by David Plotts. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

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35 David Herrick
36 Secretary