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City of Salisbury, Maryland
Parks & Recreation Committee
March 11, 2021

Minutes

<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
David Plotts, Chairman	Dr. Joseph Anderson
David Herrick, Secretary	Mike Piorunski
Dr. Branté Dashiell	
Mike Perry	
Chris Roberts	
Dominique Sessa	
Doug Draper, Parks Superintendent	April Jackson, City Council Liaison
Alyssa Hastings, Sustainability Coordinator	

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8 **Call to Order:** David Plotts called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m., via Zoom. As David Herrick
9 was not in attendance at this point, David Plotts took care of taking the minutes.

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11 **Minutes:** The Committee consented to approving minutes from October 2020 and February 2021.

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13 **Park Review:** Doug Draper updated the Committee on activities in the various parks.

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15 **Other Business:** David Herrick joined the meeting and took over taking minutes.

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17 David Plotts asked the committee members to think about the rules and regulations governing city
18 parks and to prepare to discuss them in the next meeting. Mr. Draper suggested that Wicomico
19 County Parks rules and regulations would be a good source of ideas. Mr. Plotts proposed a tentative
20 park visit schedule for future committee meetings. He also said that he brought up the idea of a Disc
21 Golf Course in the City Park with Amanda Pollack, Director of Infrastructure and Development for
22 Salisbury, who said she was the point of contact and would review and be able to take forward to the
23 Mayor's office a plan once we have one.

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25 Branté Dashiell inquired about assisting with the Community Garden at Waterside Park. Mr. Plotts
26 said that Leila Krouse, affiliated with the Comite de Apoyo a los Trabajadores Agricolas (CATA) is
27 supervising the garden, and would be the point of contact. Dr. Dashiell said that both 4H and Black
28 Farmers associations may be a source of volunteers and Mike Pioruski thought that there may be
29 grants available from Future Harvest of Maryland. Alyssa Hastings did caution that money for these
30 types of projects would probably not be forthcoming from the City of Salisbury due to budget
31 constraints therefore other government and privately sourced grants should be explored. Additional
32 comments were made concerning other community gardens including Truitt Street and the MAC
33 complex. Mr. Pioruski recommended that similar projects assess their needs and document them to
34 facilitate future collaborations and funding. He also suggested that it would be wise for the
35 committee to do the same for city park properties. Mrs. Hastings concurred saying that in doing so
36 would also simplify any consultants job and reduce their fee accordingly.

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38 **Adjournment:** Since there was no more immediate business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was
39 made by Chris Roberts and seconded by Mike Pioruski. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

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42 David Herrick
43 Secretary