

Boonsboro Park Board

April 22, 2026

Present: Laura Schnackenberg, Jamie Burton, Darrell Jones, Jeff Davidson, Sandra Shifler, Council Liaison Marilee Kerns

Absent: Greg Solberg, Katie Knight, Council Liaison Rick Weaver

Guests: Audrey and Jackson Dolly, Matt Adkins and son, Troop 20, Jane Super and husband

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairperson Schnackenberg.

The March minutes were read and approved. Motion Jamie, second Jeff, all approved.

Guest presenter: Jane Super - Wind phone

A wind phone is a disconnected phone housed in a booth to talk to those who have passed. It is used for people to process grief. Jane and her husband are donating a wind phone to Shafer Park. When a location for the phone is determined Mr. Super will install it.

Unfinished Business

Fishing Derby - Update

The 31st annual derby will be held May 2nd from 8:00am until 12 noon for children 2 - 12 years old. Marilee Kerns has organized the event and so far has gotten donations of \$850. This covers the cost of snacks, a \$5 gift card for each participating child, and miscellaneous supplies for the derby.

Request for golf cart use on walking path - Update

More specifications are needed for the weight of the cart, permit, path weight, etc. before a decision can be made.

Budget - FY 2027 - Update

An update will be coming after the Council budget meeting.

Shafer Park Treasure Hunt - Update

Buttons and the new revised treasure hunt have arrived.

Tree Board/Arbor Day Event - April 26 - Update

Swamp White Oak will be planted at the Arbor Day/Stream Clean up event on April 26th in honor of America's 250th birthday.. Emails have been sent out to scout troops to help with the event. Isaac Whitmore has gotten free trees to give out during the clean up event.

Green Fest - May 9 - Update

Everything is ready for the event.

Wagon Train - May 17 - Update

Everything is ready, but waiting to hear from the spinner.

Independence Day - July 3- rain date July 5 - Update

Vendor applications are coming in. A list of vendors will be in next month's minutes.

Concert Series - Update

Concerts have all been scheduled. Food for the military concerts will be discussed at the next meeting. This year nonprofits will be able to sell drinks and prepackaged snacks, chips, pretzels etc. at the concerts. A completed application will be needed by the nonprofit.

Dog Park Grant - Update

Waiting for more information.

Disc Golf - Update

May 3rd will be the work day to dig the holes for the new locations for baskets 4 and 16. All 18 baskets will then be up. Temporary signs, about 5, of basic rules, caution, etc. will also be installed. Permanent signs will be installed when they are ready.

Other news

6 Screech owl boxes have been installed.

Investigate the possibility of bat boxes for mosquito control.

Scout Troop 20 has volunteered to help with any project in the park.

Meeting adjourned, Motion Jamie, second Darrell, all approved.

The annual park walk through followed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Shifler
Secretary