

# Boonsboro Park Board

March 6, 2024

**Present:** Chris Hawkins, Greg Solberg, Jeff Davidson, Laura Schnackenberg, Sandra Shifler, Jamie Burton, Council Liaison Rick Weaver, Town Manager Jared Schumacher

**Absent:** Isaac Whitmore

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairperson Schnackenberg. The January minutes were read and approved. Motion Greg, second Chris, all approved.

## Unfinished Business

### Arbor Day - Park/stream clean-up - April 21 - 1:00 pm

The Boonsboro Lion's Club will replace the Tulip Poplar that died with a Sycamore. This will be in memory of a member who recently passed away.

### Tree Board

We have a \$1000 MUCFC Grant to replace 30 trees that died from previous years' plantings. 8 dogwoods in front of the library will be part of the group.

We have also gotten a grant from the MD DNR Tree Planting Program. This is a 3-year state managed tree maintenance program which includes planting, pruning etc.

There will be a virtual tree care seminar April 11 and April 18 at 7 pm.

April 11 - Annie Twigg DNR - tree selection and planting

April 18 - Jeff Davidson - tree care

There was a motion to pursue trees through DNR for the stream area. Motion Greg, second Jeff, all approved.

### Concert Series

Concerts are being scheduled.

### Disc Golf Course

Sponsors are needed for three remaining holes; each hole is \$300. There was a motion by Jeff and second by Greg for Park Board to sponsor a hole, all agreed.

Motion by Jeff and second by Greg to pursue a logo for the Park Board, all agreed. Jamie volunteered to work on a design for the logo.

### Fishing Derby - May 4

The fish have been ordered. George Rowe has been contacted and has agreed to help with cleaning the fish. Chris will purchase food and prizes.

### Green Fest - May 11

Everything will be the same as last year, a swap and recycle event.

### Wagon Train - May 19

D&D ponies and the spinner have agreed to participate. Laura is working on contacting a blacksmith. Post 10 Auxiliary will sell hotdogs, chips, and drinks.

## **New Business**

### **EDC's Downtown Beautification Project**

The plan for the beautification project was discussed and approved with the contingency to replace the butterfly bush, which is an invasive plant, with purple coneflowers and include a plan for maintenance and season long watering to ensure the survival of the plants. Motion Greg, second Jeff, all approved.

### **Budget**

A \$100 donation will be given to the Boonsboro Middle and High School Bands for their participation in 2023 Olde Tyme Christmas parade. Motion Jeff, second Greg, all approved. This would be from last year's budget.

A suggestion was made to order additional costumes for Olde Tyme Christmas. Motion Greg, second Jeff, all agreed. This would be from last year's budget.

The 2025 budget request will be the same as the 2024 budget. Motion Greg, second Jeff, all approved.

### **Capital Improvements**

Jared requested that a list of capital improvements with projected costs be submitted to him asap. Laura will submit Park Board's suggested list.

Isaac Whitmore has resigned from Park Board. We thank him for his contributions over the years.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm. Motion Jeff, second Chris, all approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandra Shifler  
Secretary