

December 17, 2009

To: Bob King, Chairman, Mt. Airy Board of P&R
From: Patrick Ronan, Secretary

Subject: MINUTES OF DECEMBER 17, 2009 MEETING OF THE MT. AIRY BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION HELD AT MT. AIRY TOWN HALL.

Attendance: Gary Nelson, Drew Heck, Patty Williamson, Pat Ronan, Tucker Lazarus, Steve Adams, Bob King

Absent: Steve Mullinix, Larry Hushour

Staff: Mary VanMetre

Press: Michelle Cook (Mt. Airy Messenger)

Guests: Billy and Anita Dove, 5567 Cindy Court, Mt. Airy
Jim Novesal, 5577 N. Annapolis Drive, Mt. Airy
Melanie Jackman, 14114 Jasmine Court, Mt. Airy
Steve Stonestrut, 5518 N. Annapolis Drive, Mt. Airy
Mary Beth and Ken Matney, 5558 Cindy Court, Mt. Airy

--Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

--The minutes for the November meeting was approved as submitted.

--Gary Nelson reported on the State Maryland Department of the Environment's **Reforestation Requirement**. He asked for ideas on how to do the reforestation, what trees would be used, where they might be put, etc. Suggestions were Summit Ridge, Twin Arch, as well as some other areas. It was agreed that Patty Williamson would speak with the Beautification Commission regarding selecting the trees and where they might be placed. It was agreed that we would not be planting any more trees in Windy Ridge Park.

Public Comment

--Billy Dove suggested planting trees around the perimeter of Windy Ridge Park to act as a buffer between the community and the park, but he was not really concerned with what types of trees were used. He also offered to help take down the fence buffering the park right now. He wants to know when the Town goes to Frederick County for requests/permissions regarding the park, but Mr. King pointed out that the first step is for the Parks and Recreation Board to make recommendations to Streets and Roads Commission as well as the Town Council.

--Bob King was pointing out that the Board has not yet had a chance to fully discuss the proposed Master Plan for Windy Ridge Park, but that he is welcoming all public comment at all Board meetings for the foreseeable future. He also noted that the Windy Ridge Master Plan would remain on the Board's agenda for the next several months.

--The other guests were all residents of the area surrounding Windy Ridge Park and voiced their general concerns regarding what will happen with the park.

--The main concerns were big ball fields, big lights and increased traffic.

--Billy Dove brought up surveying issues regarding the property needed for road access to the park, noting that Dave Borsky owns the property that would have to be used for such access. Gary Nelson thought this was not an issue, so it was agreed that this would have to be investigated, or survey done, to confirm what needs to be done to have proper access granted.

At the **January meeting** we will be discussing the schedule for the year, including Skate Park fees, Movie Night schedule and movies, Camp Night, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.