

Town of Sykesville
Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 19, 2004

Members Present:

Bob Martin Susan Dolan Jeannie Nichols Bruce Warrell

Opening:

The meeting began at 7:15 p.m.
There were no recorded minutes from the December meeting.

Committee Reports:

Pool:

Jeannie stated that Adam Hall presented her with architectural drawing of an Anne Arundel County pool being built within a development. The plans were prepared by his employer, DW Taylor Associates, Inc. The pool plans were reviewed and the P&R Pool Committee agreed to set up a meeting with DW Taylor to get more information regarding the pool. The pool was estimated at \$600K and had many upgrades that we could consider or eliminate.

Jeannie stated that she would check on the property transfer of the girl's home, as that is not yet confirmed.

Golf:

Frank Robert has a date and location set; the contract has been faxed and needs to be signed. He will follow up with Jeannie.

Halloween:

Jeannie stated that at the November meeting of the P&R Committee Ravens Nest representatives met with her and is ready to move forward with Sykesville to host their 2004 event in Cooper Park. There was discussion regarding the cost affiliated with the event. Jeannie stated that the group would require Sykesville to rent the needed equipment (props) but they would provide all the other "entertainment". Ravens Nest is to provide Jeannie with an estimate on the cost and provide the Committee with an update at the February meeting.

There was discussion regarding how Ravens Nest intends to move people through the park and the degree to which those with handicaps can attend the event. Jeannie stated that she would check on ADA accessibility for the pavilion part of the haunted tour, as it is impossible to provide complete accessibility through the park.

Ravens Nest confirmed that they would split the proceeds with Sykesville after all expenses are paid and half of the "profit" would go to charity.

Easter Egg Hunt:

The committee discussed whether or not outside vendors would be allowed to set up & raise money for profit or not for profit groups. It was decided that this would not be allowed.

Yard Sale:

There was discussion regarding how much the P&R Committee would do to promote the community yard sale. It was decided that a notice would be run in the town newsletter (in April) indicating that interested residents can set up on their own property and that the town would post "yard sale" signs at major roads/intersections.

New Business:

Hiring staff:

Jeannie stated that she is requesting the Town Council approve of the hiring an events employee. This is a critical time for P&R as summer is approaching and no volunteer can possibly tackle the administrative duties of coordinating Concerts in the Park or Family Fun Day. The money to hire a part time employee is still in the budget.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.