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**City of Salisbury, Maryland
Parks & Recreation Committee
October 16, 2018**

Minutes

| <u>Present</u> | <u>Not Present</u> |
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| Joe Anderson | Austin Widdowson |
| David Plotts, Chairperson | Chris Roberts, Vice Chairperson |
| Mike Perry | Muir Boda, City Council Liaison |
| Doug Draper, Parks Superintendent | |
| David Herrick, Secretary | |
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8 **Call to Order:** David Plotts called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm at Naylor Mill Park.
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10 **Minutes:** David Herrick distributed copies of the September 18, 2018 minutes. A motion was made
11 by Mike Perry to approve minutes as presented. Joe Anderson seconded and it was made so.
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13 **Park Tour & Discussion:** Inspection began with a walk through the wooded park led by Mike Perry
14 who is familiar with the topography. Many dead limbs were noticed that should be taken down and
15 trash cleanup was recommended. Neon spray painted trees apparently used to guide runners/racers
16 were noticed and discussion ensued about how to notify relevant organizations. Discarded wooden
17 bridges and trestles were also observed that should be reinstalled or removed. Some erosion was
18 noted along the trails and ditches but not extensive enough for remediation. Since Lower Shore Land
19 Trust monitors the conservation of this park, it was recommended that they be notified of any major
20 tree removal, construction or earthworks. In the future, some type of digital survey of the trails and
21 possible placement of informational kiosks might be considered. Overall a great park for a forest
22 experience.
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24 **Parks Update:** Doug Draper updated the Committee on activities in the park system which included
25 review of Dog Park where implementation of the Shovel & Rake program is going well. In fact,
26 there might be a need for more equipment at the stand in addition to a dog waste bag dispenser
27 outside the fenced area. Mr. Draper did express concern with the design of the trash can inside the
28 dog park. A photo of said can was produced and it was seen that there are bolts and nuts protruding
29 into the interior causing the bags to tear when lifted out which can lead to an unpleasant experience
30 for Public Works employees since the bags usually contain pet waste. A motion was made by Mike
31 Perry that the bolts be reversed thus preventing a rupture. Joe Anderson seconded and the motion
32 passed with no dissent.
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34 **Old Business:** Mr. Draper reported that trees and shrubs at Johnson Lake Park were trimmed.
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36 **Reconvene:** Since there was no more immediate business to discuss, it was decided not to
37 reconvene at the Government Office Building and a motion to adjourn was made by David Plotts and
38 seconded by Mike Perry. The meeting was:
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40 **Adjourned** at 6:25 pm..

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42 David Herrick
43 Secretary