

PARKS & EVENTS COMMITTEE MINUTES  
November 17, 2008

Members Present:

Chris True	Co-Chair
Chris Sevick	
Ivy Wells	
Cole Holocker	
Frank Robert	Council Liaison
Irma Bast	Staff Support

Special Olympics: Carroll County requested an area in Sykesville for their Inspiration Walk on 4/18/09. The site identified was Cooper Park & the Middle School parking lot between 9am & 1pm. 500 participants are expected. This would provide better exposure for Warfield and we would only need to provide the land & police coverage. Proceeds would go to the Special Olympics, and the concessions would be run by a restaurant.

Budget Excess: Cole moved & Ivy seconded to request that the Council allocate the \$5868.96 excess from FY ended 6/30/08 to Parks & Events reserve account. Passed unanimously. Chris T. presented a letter to the Mayor & Town Council requesting same.

Current budget information was distributed. Consideration of Frank's stipend reallocation was tabled.

CIP: Discussion was held about possible sports fields. Chris S. moved & Cole seconded to approach WDC & the Town Council to designate a sports field at Warfield and if possible to have this added to the CIP. Passed unanimously.

Sponsorship: Chris S. contacted TriStar and they will donate \$150 in March for the Easter event on Good Friday, 4/10/09. She also reported that 66 bags of Halloween candy were passed out at the Apple Butter Market.

Volleyball update: Chris T. researched the recommended equipment & found that it would cost about \$430. Since Burkett Park has a shortage of level ground, Tether Ball was discussed as an option instead of Volleyball. Cole moved & Frank seconded to request the purchase of tether ball equipment with the open space funds for Burkett Park. Passed unanimously. Chris T. will email Ron. Chris S. will try to negotiate a lower price for volleyball equipment.

Christmas Lights Contest: M5Signs will produce 10 signs for about \$130. There will be 5 winners and 5 honorable mentions. Committee members will meet on

Dec. 15, drive around the residential areas of town & place the signs in winners' yards.

Geocache Trail: Chris T. reported that a box was placed this week. Sykesville stickers were placed in the box. Coupons can also be added. Troop 716 will be maintaining the box. (Hint: 2 knives). The geocache will be available in January.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Irma Bast