

**City of College Park
Recreation Board Meeting
March 7, 2022
7:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting**

Final Minutes

	Present	Absent
1. Santosh Chelliah	X	
2. Lindsay Dively		X
3. Michelle Ford	X	
4. Jane Hopkins	X	
5. Christina Martin-Kenny	X	
6. Jane Miller		X
7. Barbara Pianowski	X	
8. Angeliki Frangos	X	

Also Present:

M-NCPPC Staff:

Kathleen Reardon, Assistant Facility Director, College Park Community Center

City Staff:

Kevin Blackerby, City Event Planner; Ryna Quinones, City Communication Coordinator; Sheryl DeWalt, Contract Secretary

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jane Hopkins, Chair, at 7:03 p.m.

II. Review and Approval of Agenda

Ms. Hopkins motioned to approve the agenda for March 7, 2022. Ms. Pianowski seconded the motion. **Motion carries 6-0-0.**

III. Review and Approval of the February 2022 Minutes

Ms. Pianowski motioned to approve the meeting minutes that are dated for February 10, 2022 provided that the date is confirmed; discussion occurred that meeting date could be incorrect. Mr. Chelliah seconded the motion. **Motion carries 6-0-0.**

N.B. – Ms. DeWalt confirmed with City Clerk’s office that the February meeting took place on February 7, 2022, and the final February notes reflect the correct date.

IV. Upcoming City Events – Mr. Blackerby

- A. Ice Skating at Wells Ice Rink. A proposal was sent, and a response was received last week. The committee had hoped to have 300-400 children, however, the rink wanted to limit to 150 children maximum. After discussion with Ms. Quinones, the decision was made to re-schedule the event for a future date.

- B. July 4th Fireworks. The event has been confirmed. The fireworks company has been obtained and the band has been hired. The University of Maryland has assured that the parking lot area will be done in time. Please share the good news.

- C. City Parade – July 4th. Assistance/Volunteers will be needed with the parade and events following the parade at Duvall Field.
 - i. Suggestions for the following should be shared with Mr. Blackerby:
 - 1. Music groups, bands
 - 2. Classic car groups
 - 3. Children/Teenage groups, e.g. scouts, cheerleaders, etc.
 - ii. Duvall Field will have:
 - 1. Food
 - 2. Music
 - 3. Games

- D. Spring Egg Roll has been scheduled for April 16, 2022, at Duvall Field. The event will take place from mid-morning through early afternoon. There will be time frames for age groups. If families have children in varying age groups, there will be other activities for participation until each age group is able to search for eggs. Several eggs will be “golden” eggs and have a prize ticket to choose a larger gift.
 - i. Other activities planned:
 - 1. Music
 - 2. Games
 - 3. Storytime
 - 4. Performers
 - ii. Volunteer assistance required for:
 - 1. Check-in table
 - 2. Re-set eggs for different age groups
 - 3. Games
 - 4. Concession stand – Ms. Pianowski volunteered
 - 5. Storytime
 - 6. Volunteer names should be sent to Mr. Blackerby.

- E. Friday Night Live. The first event is scheduled for May 13, 2022, on the City Hall Plaza. This event will be scheduled once a month throughout the summer. The idea is to feature local musical groups. Each month will be a

different music genre with accompanying themed food. Suggestions made from the committee included:

- i. College Park Youth Choir
- ii. Strings group
- iii. Adult choirs
- iv. Church choirs
- v. Paint Branch Creek musical group

The suggestion was made to contact the College Park Senior Center for names of local musical groups as they have done several events in the past. Mr. Blackerby stated he will reach out to the Senior Center.

V. Other Business

- A. Technical Literacy Day in partnership with UMD is confirmed for Saturday, March 12, 2022, from 9:00AM – 12:00PM at City Hall.
- B. Route 1 Rampage bike race with the University of Maryland cycle team is confirmed for April 24, 2022.
- C. Arbor Day on April 29, 2022 is confirmed for planting a tree at Bright Horizon at 2:00pm.
- D. Maryland Day is confirmed for April 30, 2022. The City of College Park will have a tent at Maryland Day.
- E. Board Recruitment. More members are needed for the committee. Mr. Blackerby will email Councilmembers asking for recommendations from their districts. It would be nice to have all districts represented on the committee, but it is not mandatory. If committee members are aware of individuals who want to become a member, encourage him/her to complete an application on the city website.
- F. Conflict of Interest statements have been sent out to all committee members and are due by April 30, 2022.
- G. Any committee member who has a term expiration of June 30, 2022 and wants to remain on the committee will need to re-apply. An email will be sent from the City Clerk's office with specific instructions.
- H. The City Clerk's office will be using a new software program and would like to list committee members' names and term expiration date on the city website. There was no objection from any committee member.
- I. After discussion, the committee would like to meet as a hybrid group. Mr. Blackerby will inform the City Clerk's office.
- J. Classic Car Show, June 18, 2022. Mr. Blackerby spoke to Bob and Kathy Baer. They will very helpful, but unfortunately, will not be able to attend the event.

VI. Next Meeting

Monday, April 4, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

VII. Adjournment

Ms. Hopkins motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Pianowski seconded the motion. **Motion carries 6-0-0.** The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sheryl DeWalt, contract secretary.