

**City of College Park
Recreation Board Meeting
September 12, 2022
7:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting**

Final Meetings

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

Also Present:

M-NCPPC Staff:

Antoinette Battle

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 7:04 p.m.

II. Review and Approval of Agenda

Ms. Hopkins motioned to approve the agenda for September 12, 2022. Mr. Chelliah seconded the motion. **Motion carries 5-0-0.**

III. Review and Approval of the August 1, 2022 Minutes

Ms. Frangos motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Ms. Hopkins seconded the motion. **Motion carries 5-0-0.**

IV. Recap of Most Recent Events

- A. **Classic Car** – Approximately 300 people flowing throughout the three (3) hour period. Very laid back event serving BBQ and Beer, good band music. Four (4) trophies were given out: Mayor’s Choice, Kid’s Choice, Car most likely to get a ticket, and Car you wish you had. Gave out mostly classic

matchbox cars to the children. Will definitely schedule for 2023, either on Father's Day weekend or close to Father's Day.

- B. **Movie Night** – Showed “Sing 2” at College Park Woods. Good location but needed more lighting (battery powered lanterns, battery powered string of lights) of the pathway and around the concession stand. Not well attended, only about 20 people. Not sure if there was not enough advertising or if people were away as it was the last weekend before school started. Staff hired to set up and show the movie did a great job. There was a free book giveaway, but not well advertised. No parking complaints from the neighborhood, but a neighbor called the police regarding loud noise. Police were informed of it being a College Park event and left the premises. Ms. Frangos volunteered to create some signage for use at upcoming events and will email samples to Mr. Blackerby.
- C. **Friday Night Live** – Oktoberfest. Best attended Friday Night Live event with approximately 500 people. About 300 College Park logo acrylic beer steins were given away. Wrist bands were used for beer service; worked very well. Could have used another food vendor; Mr. Blackerby stated he tried to get another vendor, but none were available. Ms. Frangos will share food vendor contact information. The event could have used one (1) more person behind the popcorn and Icee booth. No glass beer bottles; only cans and plastic bottles should be served. Times must be adhered to when alcohol is involved for insurance and liability purposes.

Mr. Chelliah asked if the beer steins could be purchased in glass and sold as a souvenir, perhaps even at College Park Day. Mr. Blackerby will look into the cost.

Possible suggestions for 2023 Friday Night Live are the Decades: 60/70's, Disco, Grunge, Rock and the 80's. A suggestion was made to have participants dress up in the appropriate matching attire.

V. **Upcoming City Events – Mr. Blackerby**

- A. **College Park Day** – October 15. This is Mr. Blackerby's current main focus. There will be two stages – main stage and a family stage. Several bands: Sense of Wonder, East River, Storm Monsoon, and Groovelicious. The Great Zucchini magician for children. Ax throw for adults. Many vendors and food trucks. Beer will be sold and ID's will be checked. Help is needed at the Dunk Tank; the local fire departments are using the monies paid as a fundraiser. The City is still looking for additional vendors and exhibitors. If the committee members can volunteer time to assist, please contact Mr. Blackerby.
- B. **Halloween** – October 28 from 6:30pm-8:30pm. This will be held at Duvall Field. The movie to be shown will be “Ghostbusters.” There will be a petting zoo with “creepy” animals: spiders, snakes, etc. There will be hot apple cider plus other snack items at the concession stand. Costume contest for the children plus goodie bags. Help will be needed at the concession stand.

VI. Other Business

- A. Volunteer Software has been purchased and ready to use. The goal is to have it up and running by Thursday, September 15.
- B. Discussion on signage of events, especially having an electronic sign. The committee was reminded that Route 1/Baltimore Avenue is SHA road and the state controls what may or may not be placed there. Rhode Island Avenue is now owned by College Park and signage/banners are always placed there. Electronic signage, priced previously, seemed to be exorbitant, around \$100,000; Ms. Quinones will research the cost and see if perhaps it could be a possibility to add to the Duvall Field renovation. PCGPS and several private schools were given approval to send home flyers with the elementary school children concerning upcoming events.

VI. Next Meeting

Monday, October 3, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

VII. Adjournment

Ms. Hopkins motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Chelliah seconded the motion. **Motion carries 5-0-0.** The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sheryl DeWalt, contract secretary.