

**POOLESVILLE PARKS BOARD
MEETING OF MAY 6, 2009**

PRESENT: TIM PIKE, JEFF MCINTYRE, DOUG MCKENNEY, BUTCH ZACHREL, AND JIM BROWN. ALSO PRESENT WAS TOWN MANAGER, WADE YOST AND TOWN STAFF, PRESTON KING.

Call to Order

Mr. McKenney: Call to order the May 6, 2009 Poolesville Parks Board meeting. Tim Pike, Jeff McIntyre, Doug McKenney, Butch Zachrel and Jim Brown, along with Preston King and Wade Yost. I will just summarize for people that are here we've met earlier this evening at the Halmos Park to inspect the park a little bit, although that park is probably one of our most active parks so it is probably pretty good. We also walked a section of Hunter's Run Trail to look at possible trail building I guess for lack of a better term.

Announcements

Mr. McKenney: Next meeting will be June 3rd and the Wootton Heights RFP was sent out that is for that tot lot right, yea we did the tot lot.

Mr. Yost: That comes in toward the end of the month so the next meeting schedule we will have some proposals to look at.

Mr. McKenney: Ok, ok, and then the ball field park signs was that a follow up from my earlier...

Mr. Yost: Well you know what we talked about last time, I went ahead and took a look at some what other parks have for exact language for ball field use and things and we ordered those and also LGIT had asked us to put some regulations and rules up on the bulletin boards and we ordered those signs also, when do they come in?

Mr. King: Actually they should have been in this week, I had elections I was busy that day and today I had class, so I will call tomorrow, it should be done and we should have them up next week.

Mr. McKenney: Ok very good and obviously Preston will attest I called him the other day to confirm my suspicion about field use that I thought they were too wet I had a coach ask me if I'd swap out so he could finish a rained out game or do a rained out game and I didn't think we would be able to play on that, I think the signs will help at least somebody has got fair warning if we pull a permit or say you got to get off the field I mean it is right there in front of them then.

Mr. King: On a note with that when we issue permits for next year we might want to have a printed thing that goes back with them about ball field conditions and just rules in general so they can't say they didn't know, they would have a physical copy and there would be signage at the park.

Mr. Yost: Well we do get the rules and regs out to the major --- Kevin takes them for PAA, but does he distribute it out.

Mr. McKenney: Right exactly, so those signs will definitely help when we get down to the rules and regs remind me that is one of the things I was thinking about, that sort of thing along with some website type stuff too.

Mr. McIntyre: We don't have a hotline anymore or any sort of...

Mr. Yost: No one used it.

Mr. McIntyre: Yea that is what I thought.

Mr. King: It was very limited use and also when I leave at 3:00 around here Poolesville I mean 5:30 rain storms and once I leave for the day...

Mr. McIntyre: Well I was just thinking if you were to say by 3:00 hey no games tonight that would be one way if we had a number for people to call.

Mr. King: Or on the town website.

Mr. McKenney: All right unless anybody else has got some announcements, I don't know if you have anything Jim that you wanted to get out real quick.

Mr. Brown: No I am good thank you.

Citizen's Comments on Agenda Items

Mr. McKenney: Citizen's comments on agenda items, we have a couple gentlemen here, if you...

Mr. Yost: They are here for the park permits.

Mr. McKenney: Ok then we will get to you in a moment I guess.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. McKenney: Approval of minutes everybody get a chance...

Mr. Pike: I make a motion we approve them.

Mr. McKenney: Moved.

Mr. McIntyre: I'll second.

Mr. McKenney: Seconded. All in favor signify by saying aye.

Mr. Pike, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. McKenney, Mr. Brown: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Any opposed, any abstentions?

Mr. Zachrel: Butch abstains.

Mr. McKenney: Got ya thank you.

New Business

Mr. McKenney: Park permits, since you folks are here why don't we start with you. Go ahead, come on up to the table and if you would introduce yourself and give us your address that would be great please.

Mr. Heilman: My name is Rick Heilman, my address is 11402 Stonewood Lane and that is Rockville. Everett Hovencamp is my local compadre here living in town at 19821 Spurrier Avenue. So I am the President of the Seneca Soccer Association Youth Soccer Club and Everett is our field coordinator for our club and we host along with in conjunction with the Damascus Soccer Club we have hosted for the last 6 years an August Cup Soccer Tournament for youth teams. We will be hosting our 7th tournament this year the weekend of August 28, 29, and 30th so that is the weekend before Labor Day. For the last 2 years we use principally we use the Soccerplex site there South Germantown Rec Park and such but we've had such good response to our tournament that we have had to find additional fields in order to support additional games for teams coming in. Two years ago we had 278 teams come in for a tournament, last year we had 268 teams come in and these are U9 through U19 boys and girls so we've had 6 years of very successful tournament life and it has been good but with the expansion and looking

for to provide the best fields we can and the best field surfaces we can obviously not everything is Soccerplex quality throughout Montgomery County so you try and find the best you can for the extra fields that you need. Two years ago we expanded to the Polo Ground down there on Hughes Road and so for the last 2 years we have had about 10 fields located at that site again we do that in conjunction with the Potomac Soccer Club has their Memorial Day Tournament, MSI has a tournament that they host there I guess MSYSA the State, there is about 4 tournaments during the year that are held down there at the north end of the polo ground that end past the horse ring so we are limited to that site, so we can fit about 10 fields, 11 fields into that space, so we have been out here for the last 2 years and it has been very successful, I believe your local merchants have been pretty appreciative of the sudden boost in activity that they have seen in their businesses, local businesses on our weekend, a lot of people coming up for meals and supplies and things. This year we were looking to try to expand the use of this area a little bit more and in getting in conversation with Everett we started talking we have held a permit through the County ICB for Poolesville Elementary School for our normal league games for the last couple seasons and in fact we have been playing there on Saturdays we have been playing games there in our younger age groups and I started to notice that gosh this is a pretty nice surface here and gosh this is a pretty big area we could easily fit 2 fields for U9 through U12 out here so we started to think in terms of having a permit through ICB using that site to add to our list of available fields that is when Everett started to say well gee there are some other fields in the Town that are controlled by the Town, not controlled by ICB, not controlled by MMCBBC, I said I am all ears lets talk. So that is where the subject came up and that is where I started to learn more about Stevens Park, Halmos I had seen Halmos coming around the area, I bicycle out in this area a lot and so I had seen Halmos but I was unaware of Stevens. I knew about John Poole Middle School and the High School and such but I went this past Saturday right after lining Poolesville Elementary School for our games, I took a ride over to Stevens Park to see what that looked like and was very impressed with that facility and looking at the soccer field and looking at the outfield of the baseball diamond there I paced things off on both fields and said gee we could easily fit 2 small sided fields there. So again what we are really looking at is to try to augment our ability to host U9 through U12 age groups, that is the one where we are really hurting. Full size fields we can do pretty well at the Soccerplex so I made the mental note that great surfaces at Stevens Park we could fit 2 fields there between the 2 sites.

Mr. McKenney: So your group will use all the fields at the Germantown Soccerplex and then all the fields at the Polo Grounds too?

Mr. Heilman: Yes.

Mr. McKenney: And will you be using one or two fields at PES and John Poole Middle or...

Mr. Heilman: Well what we were hoping to do, I then went from Stevens over to Halmos and started looking at Halmos and stepped off and measured out things there and according to what I was measuring out I think we could fit small sided fields for that age group we generally shoot to be anywhere from 45 yards wide to 70 to 75 yards long about that size, that is about appropriate for those age groups, so based on those numbers I was figuring that we could fit a small field on obviously the soccer field that is there at Halmos, but then I was also looking at the outfields of baseball field 2 and 3 and those

both I think could easily support one field and again the surfaces I was very impressed with and I think our customers would be very happy, so I guess I then went over to John Poole Middle School and took a look and I was less impressed there and based on some of what Everett had been saying about the high school I didn't bother going over to the high school, and again basically what we are looking for, our needs, if we could come up with 6, 7, 8 fields, small sided fields that would put us in excellent shape to help host our tournament. So I was calculating 2 at John Poole I mean 2 at Poolesville Elementary School, 2 at Stevens, and 3 at Halmos and that would give us 7 fields and if I could twist your arm I was looking at your front lawn out here. I won't press that issue but that is a nice piece of grass you have out there. I see soccer fields everywhere I go, I passed a sod farm on the way out here and I started to drool.

Mr. McKenney: How many games per field would you anticipate, well yea through this whole thing, how many games?

Mr. Heilman: What we would end up needing to do is we would need to set things up, we would need to set up the fields line the fields sometime during that week and we usually hire somebody to line fields so sometimes it might be Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday certainly Friday at the latest that we would go ahead and line the fields and get that set. Friday we would probably start to set up the fields in terms, we would need to set up the fields in term of bringing in portable goals, portable goals and flags to have the fields ready for Saturday morning and then we would play games, we would expect to play games all day Saturday and half of Sunday because generally what happens is we will play Sunday morning up until probably the last games would finish up around noon or 1:00 because at that point we have done our round robin games, then we are ready for our championship games and we generally hold all of the championship games over at the Soccerplex so as far as games going on it would be Saturday and again I am guessing whether we would start at 8:00 or 9:00 in the morning, we would probably finish by 5:00 perhaps 6:00 something of that sort, we have to work through the exact scheduling of how many teams and where are they playing, things of that sort but that would be typical of what we do say at the Polo Ground and such we are going on those kind of hours so our people who are volunteers would probably be out here in the neighborhood of 6:30 at the sites getting set to accept the teams in who are getting there early for setup. We do our policing of the parking areas, keep cars in the proper areas and tell them where they can park, where they can't park, pretty strict about that.

Mr. McIntyre: How many games per field do you anticipate coming?

Mr. Heilman: I would expect that we would probably be doing games in that age group, well games would be 60 minutes long and then there is usually 10 or 15 minute half times and then it is usually 10 or 15 minutes between games that we try to adhere to so what would I be saying...

Mr. McIntyre: You are looking at an hour and a half per game roughly.

Mr. Heilman: Yea something like that so we are probably 6 games maybe 7 games at the most I would think and I guess the other point I would make is that because this would be strictly the U9 through U12 age group, the small ages, field surfaces would be smaller and also as far as wear and tear on the fields, that certainly would be a lot less because the number of players on the field is fewer, they play 7v7 they play 8v8 as opposed to playing 11v11 for the big kids and also just physical size of the kids a lot smaller so generally what we've seen is that the wear and tear on fields is a lot less when it comes to

these small sided games. So what was I saying, if we said on the order of 6 to 7 games or so on Saturday and then probably 3 games, 4 games on a field on Sunday something like that is probably what we are talking about in total.

Mr. McIntyre: What is your feel for parking, how many cars would be coming into the games, because I remember going down Hughes Road and needing quite an amount for parking area.

Mr. Heilman: Yea well down at, in this age group again and this age group we generally factor in 1 car per player, obviously they don't have driver's licenses, rosters in that age group are about 12, maximum of 14...

Mr. McIntyre: Right so 12...

Mr. Heilman: So say a maximum of 28 players per game.

Mr. McIntyre: Right 28 players per game and I am just thinking 28 players per game, 3 fields...

Mr. Yost: It's not so bad at Halmos.

Mr. King: But you know since you are talking about that many vehicles, on a side note, the Catholic Church has a huge parking lot there, if he contacted the Catholic Church maybe use that facility because they can handle a lot...

Mr. McKenney: Till they have Saturday evening services but I mean...

Mr. King: I'm just saying parking is probably one of the bigger concerns, you could do that and actually Bodmer you could park along the grassy area. We could do a few things for parking because Bodmer that little tot lot that is a grassy area. At Halmos we could open the gates and probably get a good 20 or 30 cars in there.

Mr. Yost: Probably a lot more than that, there is 45 or 48 spaces in that one parking lot and if you open that up...

Mr. King: And I think Halmos park those are the best grassy fields. And what we do at Stevens to open up more parking that is a tight one there.

Mr. McKenney: So West Willard is listed too...

Mr. Yost: I was getting ready to say that too.

Mr. Heilman: I think I just put in on there as practice only.

MULTIPLE CONVERSATIONS TAKING PLACE

Mr. McKenney: When were we planning to move the fence on Halmos 3?

Mr. King: After July 1 but I don't think, we could wait a little.

Mr. McKenney: So how much does the Soccerplex and how much does the Polo Fields charge you per field?

Mr. Heilman: What we end up paying at the Soccerplex is a lot and quite honestly that's the point of using offsite fields as much as we can, we are contracted with the Soccerplex to play a minimum number of games there, we have a minimum number 200 games we have to play at least 200 games there and for those 200 games I wish my tournament director was here because he has these numbers in his head but if I am not mistaken I believe we pay \$60,000.00 for the privilege of playing 200 games on there.

Mr. Pike: So what is our rate?

Mr. Heilman: What we end up doing is with the Polo Ground its harder for me to give you a figure at the Polo Ground because its we've entered into a joint venture with the Potomac Soccer Club, with MSI and with the State and so we sort of share cost there but basically the only cost is the upkeep, mowing, they don't really charge us for the fields themselves, its simply for the maintenance, there is a guy who comes out with his tractor

and mows that whole area for us so whatever his services work out to be is basically what we end up all contributing all four groups contribute in, so it is hard for me to give you a per field cost on that one. I think with Poolesville Elementary School getting the permit there I think it was \$48.00 so it was \$48.00 for the permit through ICB and then basically once we have the permit whether we put one field or two fields out there it doesn't really matter but...

Mr. McKenney: When do they start to charge by the hour is that next year.

Mr. Heilman: They are beginning that in the fall so our games starting in September the league games starting in September are going to be charged at \$3.00 an hour, a \$3.00 an hour rate for that, but that is the problem that we face in the first year that we held our tournament it was exclusively at the Soccerplex and we quickly found out that we made almost no money and I should point out that what we do with the profit from the tournament is we plow this back into the teams, it comes into the club but what the Seneca Soccer Association does is we then put that money back out the majority of it back out to the teams based on because we insist that they have to volunteer, they have to provide parents from each team to volunteer to do all of the field marshalling, parking monitors, field setups and everything else so for their volunteer hours and based on their number of volunteer hours we have a stage return of dollar investment back into the teams, so they are coming and this is actually a fundraiser for their teams and that is the reason that the tournament was started in the first place was quite honestly since I started it the whole reason was we wanted a way to raise some funds for our teams so they could afford to play their league games at the Soccerplex, those league games at the Soccerplex right now is costing each team if it is a full team a large team \$237.50 a game to play a game, that adds up fast.

Mr. McKenney: So that is what you are being charged in Germantown basically is \$300.00 a game.

Mr. Heilman: Right yes that is correct. All of our profit comes from our offsite games away from the Soccerplex.

Mr. McKenney: I was not ignoring you I am just running some numbers here to try and get a sense as to what this all is and needs and we haven't even talked about, you know we talked about parking, we haven't really talked about traffic yet and we haven't talked about any kind of convenience facilities shall we call them because Halmos doesn't really have them.

Mr. Yost: They've got restrooms.

Mr. McKenney: Up by the concession stand right.

Mr. King: We don't have anything over on 3 though.

Mr. McKenney: Just to get a sense you said you are looking for about 7 fields right and lets say we play 6 games Saturday.

Mr. Heilman: Actually I am looking for 5 fields.

Mr. McKenney: Ok but I am just trying to think of the whole thing so you are looking at 7 fields maybe 6 games per field, so you are looking at 42 games for Saturday give or take, if you have what did we say before about 24 players per game right, all right so 24 cars per game, 42 games for the day, 24 cars through, you are looking at 1000 cars coming through this community on Saturday, figure everybody has got 4 give or take you are looking at about 4000 people moving through Poolesville basically almost the Town

of Poolesville moving through Poolesville on Saturday and I haven't even asked you guys what you think about having 5 or 6 games on those fields...

Mr. Pike: I'll be out of town.

Mr. King: I think our fields can handle it.

Mr. Yost: Yea I think the fields can handle it and also say we will have to have personnel paid overtime to go on Saturday evening to pick up the trash just typically like with GAC Germantown Athletic Club has big events and it's a big trash pickup.

Mr. Heilman: Oh we would do that.

Mr. King: You guys handle the trash pickup also?

Mr. Heilman: Yea what we do with the site just the list of volunteer jobs is typically we will go through set up, we will set up parking areas, at the Polo Ground we have the string parking lines and measure out parking spaces, we have the garbage cans out all day long we are emptying the garbage cans and keeping up with that.

Mr. Yost: Do you guys haul the trash out?

Mr. Heilman: At the Polo Grounds there is a dumpster.

Mr. King: Do you have a concession stand that you have or do we have our PAA association set up a stand and sell food so they can make money for baseball and soccer teams. Do you guys bring in food or is this something that is an opportunity for our local clubs to make money.

Mr. Heilman: We would be happy to have your local clubs be active in that. What we do at the Polo Ground is at the Polo Ground for the last 2 years we have brought in one of the Italian ice, I forget which one, we brought in an Italian ice guy, one year we brought in Smokin' Rays but fall is not necessarily the best time for BBQ so...

Mr. King: I think our local sports programs could probably benefit from something this large and they do have Stevens Park we do have a concession stand there and we have a small one at Halmos but if you contact the local sports team I know I think they would love that many people that is a lot of money to be made for our local sports programs.

Mr. Brown: Yea the High School Booster Club.

Mr. McKenney: And this would be a great boost for a lot of the businesses here in town even when they are just down on Hughes Road they are coming up to McDonalds, they are coming up to the corner, they are going to Cugini's.

Mr. Zachrel: And we know next weekend there is going to be 3000 to 8000 so traffic coming through town for that alone is going to be about 3000.

Mr. McIntyre: At Stevens how many spots do we have parking?

Mr. Yost: About 70.

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Mr. Zachrel: My only concerns would be really the parking issues and if we have enough parking spots, then I wouldn't have a problem there you have already said you are going to bring in additional comfort stations and then the other concern I would at Halmos is the traffic going in and out of that road right there and possibly you

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Mr. Pike: You could put a sign out there that says this way to 107.

Mr. Zachrel: Well that is what I was thinking too.

Mr. Heilman: Parents and kids but older kids they park and they tell you where to park guide traffic in and out of there. We probably put and sorry I am desperately trying to think of the name of that road down there...

Mr. McKenney: Spates Hill?

Mr. Heilman: Yes we would put a sign out there that says August Cup here so that we are feeding people in that way as opposed to coming in and around through the neighborhoods and working their way up.

Mr. McKenney: I take it this is rain or shine?

Mr. Heilman: Gee in August it never rains but you said 5:30 and 2 years ago at the Polo Grounds 5:30 on the nose man it came over the trees and we ran like hell so I appreciate that timeframe, no what we obviously have to do is we use best judgment as to what the weather is certainly any lightning which it was that time that shuts down games immediately, if it is for a short amount of time we can resume the game otherwise we may have to do some time shifting or move games around or do something to try to make it up. The advantage we have in that daylight savings time is you can go a little later because you have more daylight but if there is serious rain we obviously don't play because we aren't looking to tear up the fields, it is in our best interest not to tear up the fields.

Mr. McKenney: Well that is one of my major concerns I mean if you guys think that...

Mr. King: Halmos field can take it, I tell you right now. We put a lot of time in it but it can withstand quite a bit.

Mr. Heilman: Yea I was very impressed with the density of the turf that was out there. Those are better than the Middle School, I remember a few years ago I was out there at the Middle School and said gee this is pretty nice and it is disappointing to see where it is now.

Mr. Pike: It used to be a baseball field 18 or 20 years ago.

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Mr. Heilman: PAA is?

Mr. King: PAA, Poolesville Athletic Association and they make during baseball season they have concession stands and they make a good bit and I guarantee you they knew that many people were coming in they would love to have stands up selling their stuff. Soccer Club, the High School, there is 2 or 3 organizations that would jump on the chance to make money like that.

Mr. Pike: Booster Club.

Mr. Heilman: I am sure we would be most happy to have them out there, yea I did see the concession stand there at Halmos, we buy for the Polo Ground we buy all our drinks here at Selby's.

Mr. McIntyre: Keep the money local.

Mr. Heilman: And that is it, we are very interested in trying to help the Town of Poolesville if we can be a service to the businesses in the Town of Poolesville we are all about that.

Mr. McKenney: I had cut Wade off before and I think he wanted to...

Mr. Yost: We were going to talk about GAC the Germantown Athletic Club has a huge baseball tournament that they throw once a year in the springtime, teams from New York and Philadelphia and everywhere they come down and we insist we have to have a guy on overtime just being there all day, checking on the fields, picking up the trash during the day, because if we don't it will be backed up, its going to be spread out all over the field by the next morning, we pick it up, usually what they do, we don't charge for the

fields but they do give a donation and we usually buy dirt with it again or reseed or do whatever we need to in the timeframe, so that is typically what a non taxpayer (inaudible).

Mr. Heilman: Right we would be happy to do that and as I said with our volunteers we generally try to police ourselves as far as the trash goes...

Mr. King: I'm saying if this does go, I'm just saying, will I have a contact so I can talk to whoever is in charge because like the bathrooms will need to be restocked continuously during the day so I would have to set something up so I could get somebody a key and make sure it is stocked properly or you guys might, you know what I am saying we just got to work through it because it is something we don't handle anything this big, I think we can do it, I'm just saying first time communication I think is probably going to be one of the best things to do.

Mr. Heilman: We have Bennum Malcolm is our Tournament Director so he has been the Tournament Director all 6 years now so he has got a lot of experience, Lori Swim is our Assistant Tournament Director, what we have done since we started using the Polo Grounds the last 2 years is Bennum mainly has been positioned at the Soccerplex and Lori has been out at the Polo Ground and in charge of the Polo Ground so we have, we would have both of them available and I usually end up being the what do you need ok I will go do that.

Mr. King: And one more question you talk about you guys going to bring in the nets and everything, is there a certain level of the grass should it be mowed at a certain height I don't know if soccer they have 3 inch, 4 inch, what is your, or is there actually a, because we normally mow ours I think at 3 ½ inches that is where our standard cut is so I don't know you know what I am saying like Lacrosse if they can have it a half inch of dirt they would be happy but I don't know if for your league there is a standard.

Mr. Heilman: We don't have a standard in terms of that.

Mr. Hovencamp: I've been mowing, me and Paul Bassett have been mowing the Poolesville Elementary School field and their hands are tied, they mow it but they mow it Monday or Tuesday and by Friday night things are growing.

Mr. King: I'm just saying if you guys have a standard let me know because if we are going to hand the fields off to you guys we want it ready, the town is representing we want to present you with a...

Mr. Heilman: We would love a mown field.

Mr. McIntyre: Wade one question when GAC comes in with that whole big baseball thing do they have any kind of, do we hold any kind of deposit for any kind of damage I guess is what I am wondering.

Mr. Yost: GAC we didn't, with some of the bicycle races we definitely do that is a \$200.00 deposit, which is part of the reg rules for the races and parades and things.

Mr. McIntyre: Would that be applicable here (inaudible) I am just wondering technicality here.

Mr. Yost: Yes I think.

Mr. McIntyre: So it would be a \$200.00 deposit that is what you are saying.

Mr. Brown: I think \$200.00 is cheap, you got a lot of people here, it sounds like you guys are so well organized I am sure you guys will absolutely get it back, but we need to make sure, if you guys think that is the right number for what potentially we may have to fix or redo.

Mr. King: At the worst some reseeding I mean \$200.00 that's...

Mr. McKenney: I mean if you have the bathrooms open.

Mr. King: Well the bathrooms are open anyway but if they want to staff it and refill it I don't need to have a person here all the time.

Mr. Brown: I think we probably need to have a person there all the time.

Mr. Yost: Yea I do too.

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Mr. McKenney: I was going to mention I appreciate the fact that you have one at the Polo, I think we do need one here, I was also going to say that in addition to Preston I will speak for myself I'd like to have the contact person because I am right across from one of the Halmos fields, he is basically across from the other one and will see it and you are at Stevens so you are going to have people that are here that are going to be able to tell you stuff that you are not going to necessarily be able to see otherwise.

Mr. Heilman: Yea well we can certainly, we would probably give you 4 to 6 names and say call any of these people and these people are the administration they will get things done and know who to contact and be in touch if there is any question, issue that comes up so we basically have a group of us the decision makers that are out there and I will be happy to give you all names.

Mr. McKenney: And I do think that we need to figure out what an appropriate might be then, because this is going to be bigger than GAC.

Mr. Yost: The concession stand with PAA and that stuff is \$250.00 for each ones for concession stands for deposits that they give at the beginning of the season and we give back at the end of the season, so we do it in different ways.

Mr. King: If we get like \$100.00 a field if they use 5 fields and that is enough for me to reseed and fertilize the field.

Mr. Yost: Well the deposit they get back.

Mr. King: No I'm not saying the deposit, if the field is damaged, I'm saying the deposit should cover potential damage, you know what I am saying, I have to look at lets say the rain comes at 5:30 and they continue to play and the next thing you know I have an outfield and I do have to go, the deposit should cover a potential issue that is all I am saying, now if I have to reseed the field it is like \$100.00 in fertilizer and seed that is all I am just saying if I have to repair damaged fields.

Mr. Heilman: And that might be a question that comes up in my head when you raised the question about as far as trash goes and we have a dumpster out at the Polo Ground so when we police and we empty the trash bags and we throw them all in there and then at the end of the tournament that whole thing gets pulled off, I guess is there some way to have something like that, you know we can police things but we got to know where we can take all the bags.

Mr. King: They could set something up with Titus to bring something in. We could find a place, but if you guys set that up so it is there and a place to dump it and your guys come in and remove it we could find a place for it, because there is going to be some trash.

Mr. Heilman: Yea I didn't know if you have trash facilities or...

Mr. Yost: No we don't.

Mr. King: We have a few cans that we take it back to.

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Mr. Yost: I'm not sure how much trash you generate.

Mr. Heilman: Again my tournament director I would like to have him work with you guys on that kind of logistics to see what the best way to go about that would be. But again we are open to try and work with you in anyway we can, we want to see a successful tournament, we want to see it be a value to Poolesville, we want to be good citizens and at the end of the day on Sunday we want the Poolesville people to be waving all 5 fingers as we head out of town.

Mr. McIntyre: I think we need to move on, quickly what is the name of the organization.

Mr. Heilman: It is the August Cup.

Mr. McIntyre: So I move that we go ahead and approve that we give or we allow Halmos 2, Halmos 3 and the soccer field, Stevens soccer field and the outfield baseball for, a motion that we approve their use with a \$500.00 deposit, they will bring in porta-johns, they will clean up and remove the trash or work out something with Titus to get that taken care of, you guys will take care of parking and traffic control, did I miss anything else?

Speaker: We'll have a member of the Town Staff.

Mr. King: We have somebody for 2 days.

Mr. Brown: We have to make sure we cover the cost, their donation covers the cost of whoever we are going to have working that day too, so we need to set an appropriate donation about probably should be part of your motion.

Mr. McIntyre: How much would that...

Mr. McKenney: \$500.00.

Mr. King: I'd say that is good because you figure that's overtime, I'm just saying lets just say if I did it or something like that...

Mr. McKenney: Nobody seconded it yet so you can add it in.

Mr. McIntyre: And I guess the question would be to you guys since we'd have to staff this with the town would you guys be willing to cover what their costs would be, that's one person per day.

Mr. Heilman: You are guessing for the day and a half...

Mr. King: About \$400.00, \$400 to \$500 because you figure it is overtime so that would be time and a half so \$30.00 an hour and you can do the math on that.

Mr. Heilman: So for the day and a half figure roughly \$400.00 or something like that ok, yea that shouldn't be a problem.

Mr. McIntyre: So we got it all clear then?

Mr. McKenney: I guess we need to keep, do we want to put the, are we putting a donation, a suggested donation coverage amount into the motion or...

Mr. McIntyre: Ok so the motion is that we approve the use of Halmos 2, Halmos 3, the soccer fields, Stevens soccer and baseball outfield for the August Cup on the weekend of August 28 to the 30th, \$500.00 deposit, porta-johns, clean up, parking and traffic control and the cost of...

Mr. Heilman: \$400.00 for the city official and the donation.

Mr. McIntyre: I think that is it.

Mr. Zachrel: I will second that.

Mr. McKenney: Ok it has been moved and seconded any discussion, all in favor signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed, any abstentions, motion carries.

Mr. Heilman: And you are all invited to come out and watch them, its an excellent game and I can get you good tickets, call me for good tickets, so thank you.

Mr. McIntyre: At some point in time you will be in contact with Wade or Preston for all the contact information and everything else.

Mr. Pike: If it works out we might see you next year.

Mr. McKenney: These guys work real hard on all these fields.

Mr. Heilman: Oh I can tell that, I see a lot of fields in Montgomery County and when I went out and walked the baseball fields and everything I went umm.

Mr. King: One thing good about our infields it really is limited use, our soccer field by August you will see --- but that is why they want the baseball field they will be perfect.

Mr. Heilman: Right and there is a couple other Lake Seneca Elementary School down in Germantown (inaudible) and end up being the nicest because they don't get ripped up.

Mr. McKenney: Thank you for coming in.

Mr. Heilman: Thank you very much for your time.

Mr. McKenney: All right the other park permit we have is S.E. Titan's Soccer Team and it doesn't appear as though anybody is here, is there any conflict on that.

Mr. Yost: Maggie said she took a look at it and didn't see any conflicts whatsoever. There is not much in the book right now for that timeframe, it's a Monday thru Friday and the parks don't used that much during that timeframe.

Mr. McKenney: Right we just need to open up the restrooms right?

Mr. Yost: We do that automatically.

Mr. McKenney: Ok and they don't need concession they just want the gazebo, pavilion and picnic area ok so that is good.

Mr. Pike: Do we also get a deposit on something like that?

Mr. McKenney: No.

Mr. King: Is this a camp?

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Mr. King: In the past there has been issues, if it is a...

Mr. McKenney: If it's a 501C3 in other words a non-profit.

Mr. Pike: Do you want to give them a call?

Mr. McKenney: Good catch.

Mr. Brown: We only have one more meeting till the first one starts, or two more meetings I guess, no one.

Mr. McKenney: We could call them right now.

Mr. Brown: Its 3 weeks of the middle out of each month for a week, you know what this could be you guys is discussion you know the soccer groups like British guys that come and do training, could be them, they are good guys and do a great job.

Mr. King: But they are paid to come in I think.

Mr. Pike: It says applicant must be present for review.

Mr. McKenney: I mean we can call him or we can tell him he has got to be here for June and run the risk what do you think.

Mr. Yost: You can try to give him a call right now.

Mr. McKenney: Ed this is Doug McKenney at the Parks Board we had a question on your permit and we are trying to get a hold of you since you weren't here, if you could please call Town Hall tomorrow and ask for Wade Yost that would be great thank you bye.

Mr. Yost: Well typically you've got a --- if it is not a problem that he is charging and making money that kind of deal.

Mr. Brown: But we need numbers too, we need to know how many kids.

Mr. Yost: Yea he may not have that yet.

Mr. Brown: But if it is under a certain amount of people chances are you guys they are probably paying these guys to train the kids, no one is making money besides the people they are paying...

Mr. King: There was only a couple members that used to have problems with that, so I think that has kind of been eliminated.

Mr. McKenney: I am still a little bit concerned we don't want to get to the point where we are opening up our free fields to for profit operations.

Mr. Brown: Like the guys we just gave the permit to.

Mr. Pike: Exactly 4000 people coming.

Mr. McKenney: Ok discussion of Hunter's Run Trail so that was the walk tonight so what do you guys think?

Mr. Pike: Its tough to make a trail through there it is going to be a lot of work.

Mr. Zachrel: And I think it will be very detrimental to really the way that Beaver Pond and that whole area looks right now, I kind of like the idea that Doug brought up where maybe bringing a path down and then maybe kind of a half circle that way it still can be used, still can be enjoyed, the high school people can still come down, the environmental classes can still come down and still be able to use it without really damaging the aesthetics or really what that pond looks like and what it is today and that is my opinion.

Mr. McIntyre: I agree with that and all that brush that we've got out front just take your bush hog or whatever it is and run over the and leave the nicer trees obviously but it would just open it up a little more and maybe people would see it that didn't even know the pond was there.

Mr. Zachrel: And people will go down there to enjoy the wildlife and I think a trail through there, there will be no wildlife to enjoy.

Mr. McIntyre: I'm just saying if we knock the stuff down and make it just grass somebody could walk back there.

Mr. Zachrel: And again if you really want to make it aesthetic you can even put a couple benches down there similar to what you have over where they have the fishing tournament but that is my opinion.

Mr. King: But as you saw today there is no trash it is almost pristine down there and if we do what Jeff said people will see the water, it will open that area up to a lot of human traffic and people don't intentionally pollute but you have 9 year old kids and they are fishing they leave their worm containers we see it and right now it truly is and I think an environmental program would love to have it as is and they could go down there and study and catch things and do the whole thing and if you open it up to too many activities it will not be the same, that is just my observation.

Mr. Zachrel: And I agree with that.

Mr. McIntyre: Are we here to, Doug are we voting on this or...

Mr. McKenney: If we did something, if we say lets do this or lets do that we are going to need to get an estimate to know how much money we have to use right.

Mr. Yost: Yea some kind of direction if that is what you want to look at.

Mr. Zachrel: And any leftover funds we can have the Parks Board Christmas Party.

Mr. Yost: On the trail, has to be on the trail.

Mr. McKenney: Personally I am probably pretty neutral on this.

Mr. Yost: Well Jim said something when we walked out of there, he said what other options are there for spending this money as far as trails go and that was a very good question.

Mr. Pike: Do we have to spend it on that trail?

Mr. Yost: No, not on that trail no, the trail system.

Mr. Pike: All right so we don't have to spend part of it.

Mr. King: Improving basic trails.

Mr. Yost: No you have to create new trails, the impact fee is for creating new.

Mr. Strong: John Strong speaking can you hear me? Would it be possible to, I know we have the Master Plan, but do an overall survey of looking at an extension of existing trails.

Mr. Yost: It says in the Master Plan after reading it and that is a good point, none of them are, they are just kind of arbitrarily placed across properties to create a whole trail system throughout the town, so it says right in there that these are not --- I mean the Rabanales piece, you could go there and build one there, like I was telling Jim Tom Fox by the church that is a 6 foot sidewalk that goes across Rabanales frontage, crosses over part of the 6 foot trail system so there are probably a lot of options if you just open that up and take a look at it.

Mr. Pike: Can we look at a map next meeting?

Mr. Yost: He is going to show you some tonight on the sidewalk stuff that potentially could play into that.

Mr. Pike: Ok good.

Mr. Brown: You guys its simple it comes back down to what we want tonight and what we looked at, does this Body here want to take some action on it, we obviously have the money to do it if we want to do it, we can sit here and debate amongst all of us what style we want to do down there whether it is wood chips, asphalt, bridge, boardwalk type area around there with limited --- etc., I mean really it is I think we could find the money to spend, we could take the money and spend it in other places, do we want to as a Body decide about altering what we have going on down there, I mean that is kind of where I think Preston has made his play on it, I don't blame him, I'm like Doug I am kind of neutral on this, I think that its I hate to see it get trashed but at the same time its so beautiful down there and so nice that you almost have to...

Mr. McKenney: Exactly I didn't really know it was there and I am like well instead of walking down to the Middle School to use the pond and go fishing I'm probably going to go to Beaver Lake now.

Mr. Pike: Well what if we --- the neighbors would you use it would you walk in there.

Mr. Brown: A lot of people would say no.

Mr. King: Now if that was the only pond within our town boundaries that people could use I would say put a nice boardwalk in there lets get the use going on that pond, but not too far right down the road you have Hunter Run Pond a lot of people fish that, it is used

heavily already, Collier Circle Pond, Spates Hill Pond, Tama II Pond is starting to be used now so there are ponds that are already in the system that people are using for recreational fishing and...

Mr. Yost: Well they are all wide open.

Mr. King: But if you go to each one you will see human activity, you will see trash, why can't we have one pond that, people know about it but they go down there very quietly, we keep it loaded but soon as we open that up I see it degrading.

Mr. McKenney: The money has to be used for a trail system or part of the trail system or can it be part of the parks system, what I am getting at is since the ecology uses this, the high school, they go down to that area and use that is there a way to earmark, earmark allocate whatever, this money for that pond and its maintenance as a natural pond?

Mr. Yost: No.

Mr. McKenney: Ok so that takes that off the table.

Mr. Pike: And if we don't do anything right now the pond is not going anywhere.

Mr. McKenney: No, no true.

Mr. King: There is a maybe if you guys want to look at a path around a pond that is used, Hunters Run Pond you can run on the backside come across the dyke...

Mr. Yost: That was part of that trail actually.

Mr. King: Its highly used already, the pond is used already, minimal impact, no wetlands across maybe one little creek area, I think and then we could tie the 2 neighborhoods together, I think that would be a really nice area.

Mr. McKenney: And if you put a trail in there we could put a garbage can or two.

Mr. King: Which the high school students are putting one in now.

Mr. Yost: It was a senior project.

Mr. King: Senior project but I am saying there is a pond that is used already and its already had human activity, you could run, we have a nice flat area almost all the way around.

Mr. Yost: How do you tie it together with that cul-de-sac?

Mr. McKenney: Can you pull that up on the website.

Mr. Yost: Yes I can. We are not going to finish our agenda?

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Mr. Yost: Sorry Cathy ignore this.

Mr. McKenney: We are back we are working again Cathy.

Mr. Zachrel: I would like to make a motion to leave Beaver Pond as is and then have Wade and Preston come up with a list of other trails that we might be able to address with these funds.

Mr. McKenney: Motion has been made.

Mr. McIntyre: Second.

Mr. McKenney: I don't even know if we need a motion technically. I guess we really don't need a motion, just take no action for a moment and yea ok. No action for the moment and ask Wade and Preston to come back to us with some suggested areas where we could put a trail, probably maybe around some of the ponds or...

Mr. Brown: How bout you come up with the suggested list as well as a dollar figure, some sort of round number dollar figure of what we are looking to budget, what we are looking to spend, is that going to be that hard to do with the --- on those try to figure out how much each one...

Mr. Yost: No we can ballpark it.

Mr. Brown: Ok that is all.

Mr. McKenney: All right so then we go on to the next item.

Mr. Brown: By the way is that called Hunters Run Trail is that the proposed Hunters Run Trail is that...

Mr. Yost: A portion of the Hunters Run Trail yes.

Mr. McKenney: All right ball field advertising, Kevin had mentioned I think last meeting that for example UMAC put signs on their fields and what could we do and not do and so forth and so on. The Town Attorney took a look at things and basically the answer is if we wanted to put signs on our fields we couldn't do that, do I remember that correctly?

Mr. Yost: I think the big question was how do you let somebody do it and not let Johnny Condom come in and put his sign up, not discriminate.

Mr. McKenney: Right how do you differentiate without discriminating right?

Mr. Brown: Johnny who?

Mr. Yost: Johnny Condom.

Mr. Brown: Ok got ya I thought you said Johnny Cochran I'm like he's dead.

Mr. McIntyre: My thought on that whole sign thing too is who would the profits go to, not the profits but you know we are going to charge 100 bucks does it come to the Town.

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Mr. McKenney: If we would go down this road the fees would not go to PAA.

Mr. Zachrel: If we go down this road and the fees do not go to the ball clubs and it comes to the Town, it is my opinion that it would be more headache than what it is worth.

Mr. Yost: You are right because then we are responsible for the signs.

Mr. McIntyre: But how could you say, unless PAA maybe came up with the specific sponsors.

Mr. Zachrel: And that is where I think PAA would be the discerning factor of what that sign says and who is allowed to put the sign up and not the town.

Mr. McKenney: But they are town fields they are not PAA fields so it is not worth the headache. The other thought that I had and I think I spoke to Wade about this the other day, well first of all we wouldn't sell it for 100, we have trouble at Stevens Park with the building getting vandalized now, I mean a merchant in town says I'll buy a panel and the money goes to the town to help support the upkeep of the field and a week into the season the sign is defaced or whatever, that merchant is going to come looking for something and they are going to come back to the town.

Mr. Zachrel: And that is why I said if the money goes to the town and just the it just seems like it is going to be a big headache so in my opinion I would nix that idea.

Mr. Pike: How do other towns do it do we know.

Mr. Yost: No I don't know if organizations adopt fields from towns.

Mr. King: Urbana doesn't do it.

Mr. Zachrel: What I thought Kevin was saying was that PAA brings the sign in for the time they are using the field and then the sign is removed after the ball game, I was under that assumption and that is why PAA would actually get the money for it because I think they are leasing the fields in Rockville so technically they have ownership if you will because they are leasing the field, so they come in they put the sign up at the end of the game they take the sign down, now I would have no problem with that, now if that was the thought process I wouldn't have a problem with it, keeping them up permanently that

is bad I wouldn't like that idea, so maybe I think we need to clarify what Kevin's meaning was.

Mr. McKenney: I guess I had gotten to keeping it up permanently because you could refer to what UMAC does, UMAC attaches them to the fields permanently for the season they don't take them up and down each time, that having been said we had a sponsor for our All Star team last year and we would cart the sign around with us and hang it up on the fence for every game and take it off again which is, but that had crossed my mind that that was where Kevin was headed, I was thinking he meant permanently.

Mr. McIntyre: Maybe we should clarify that and bring it up again.

Mr. McKenney: Yea I had to think a little bit about the mobile sign thing but I'm with Butch as far as permanence and the town getting involved or whatever no, I don't know where everybody else stands but...

Mr. Brown: Well does somebody want to clue in Kevin and tell him that there is a possibility that removable signs per game use would potentially be something that could be talked about but permanent signs are ruled out is that fair. That might be --- to say about it I don't want to deny them, I think the idea of a removable sign I have seen that happen.

Mr. McIntyre: I'm wondering is there anything now, is the sign regs and the thing that we have does that prevent a team from bring in a sign now, because I would think these teams coming for the baseball, the Germantown thing they could possibly...

Mr. Yost: It does, we need to address and actually we are doing some revisions to the whole Code itself so the sign portion has to be revised to accommodate that.

Mr. McIntyre: Because as Doug said last year with our select baseball team we took our sign everywhere with us and hung it at whatever field we played at.

Mr. Brown: Any chance we can go check out get a word on that.

Mr. McIntyre: Yea cuz if there isn't they could do it.

Mr. Yost: I don't know if it even addresses removable, its temporary sign on other properties is not allowed. Our sign ordinance is very tight.

Mr. McKenney: So that would imply that even if a team was sponsored by a business they would not be able to put the sign up.

Mr. Yost: Technically correct, are we going to enforce that, very unlikely.

Mr. McKenney: Going to call Preston again.

Mr. Yost: No we have a Code Enforcement Officer.

Mr. Brown: I would like to get Kevin involved in this because I think that he could tell us if that was the intent. I mean it is ok for us to tell him up front that the --- of the Board is that permanent is not going to work so we don't have to make a motion, lets just inform him of that and lets see if there is some component to that that will work for him.

Mr. Zachrel: And then we will look at the revisions of the signs anyway we wouldn't want to do anything that is going to hurt PAA or some of the other teams that are basically already hurting, we want to try to help them.

Mr. Brown: I will draft something up to send to Kevin on this so he knows I will send it to everybody and feel free to chime back to me and then we will go from there, it will be open to everybody, might as well get a little discussion on it.

Mr. McIntyre: Is it a dead deal though if the sign regs right now say no you can't.

Mr. Yost: You guys could not permit it.

Mr. McIntyre: Right that is what I am saying is it even worth more discussion.

Mr. Zachrel: But we could endorse it to see if change can occur.

Mr. Yost: Exactly right there you have a recommendation going forward to the Sign Review Board.

Mr. McKenney: Right we could do that for sure.

Mr. Brown: Yea this is wide open I am sure.

Old Business

Mr. McKenney: Anybody else got any new business. Old business Fisher Avenue, Elgin Road sidewalks and I know Kurt had an email where he basically said he liked the swale, it was middle ground as far as dollar wise are concerned, --- Tom Fox from Halmos to Hoskinson right?

Mr. Yost: Right and at the last meeting you guys I think talked about Tom Fox and priority, we have monies to use in July first we want to do the survey and see exactly what we can do with that, we can move it back to that one if you want.

Mr. Brown: Just on that subject guys in my opinion I mean I think we can discuss the priority in terms of Tom Fox and the retrofit and the middle of the road retrofit pardon the expression with just curb, gutter, sidewalk no green space, but before we go there I mean I do I feel like there is a constituency out there that needs to be heard in terms of having things fleshed out what would happen on Fisher Avenue and the possibility of creating a sidewalk system on Fisher Avenue, I think we have talked about this informally John Strong and I and Wade have and the Commissioners had a little discussion on it but I think the appropriate thing to do is we need to figure out get a definitive what right of ways have to be required, when the development is coming in, how much is the cost going to be for putting in a sidewalk from starting at the church and running on that side of Fisher Avenue all the way up to...

Mr. Yost: And we are going to touch on some of that right now.

Mr. Brown: The townhouses right so we are going to hit it but I think we just absolutely before I am willing to go ahead and say Tom Fox is the place I want to see what the end result is on this before we go forward, not saying I would be opposed to doing Tom Fox right now but we've got 2 major sidewalk situations to me that have got to be addressed at one point or another and its we have to figure out what is the right, not just the right sequence but one is \$250,000.00 and the other one is \$750,000.00 but we have to, thank you.

Mr. Strong: All right this is the sidewalk improvements, these are projects that we are working on or looking at within the town limits. Elgin Road sidewalk retrofit there is actually 2 phases to it this field with the sign that the Kettler property is on, where the existing sidewalk is the apron coming in, the aprons to the sidewalks are not ADA compliant, those would have to be retrofitted at some point.

Mr. Pike: Does that end at the Methodist Church?

Mr. Strong: Yes. The sidewalk that is to be built is actually the model home is up here that Tom plans to build (inaudible) it ends right here and then it runs down to the church and in this section here we have to go ahead and install a sidewalk because it is not covered under the Kettler plan. We still have to acquire right of ways through there.

Mr. Yost: I think it is 4 properties.

Mr. Strong: 4 properties correct, so that is outstanding. The alignment we don't have a survey in here as of yet so as we move forward as the budgetary period comes into play

and depending on Tom's timing of bringing the sidewalk in, as you know they haven't started the model homes yet it will be something that has to be dealt with.

Mr. Yost: Now this area was not curbed correct?

Mr. Strong: That is correct.

Mr. Yost: State Highway does not want it curbed. It's part of the...

Mr. Strong: Scenic Highway.

Mr. Yost: Scenic Highway no curbs, sidewalks or setbacks. The setback is off the road probably...

Mr. Strong: 4 or 5 feet typically.

Mr. Yost: And as part of Tom's development they wouldn't allow the sidewalk coming up.

Mr. Strong: So the first curb actually starts in the Haller Avenue area and the sidewalk branches out and stops right at the Methodist Church.

Mr. Brown: Timeout we are talking about sidewalk only from the bottom to the top up there right, sidewalk only got to get the easements, don't have money to do the survey until July 1 according to the budget, no approximate cost yet?

Mr. Strong: No just a quick pull the plan together.

Mr. Yost: This one here we can probably get a survey, this money is in the budget now, I'm not sure how much is left over because we had Elgin sidewalks and we built the side where Charlie Glass and Tad Bodmer's house is, that came out of that fund, I am not for sure exactly where we are with that fund but might get the survey with the balance of that.

Mr. Strong: You tell me the money is there I will get one.

Speaker: Looks like a trail to me, a nice trail.

Mr. Yost: A 6-foot trail.

Mr. Strong: A sidewalk is a 5-foot sidewalk to be ADA compliant. All right then we looked at the Fisher Avenue streetscape from this is Wootton the red dot there, that is the Wootton intersection and we ran it down to the southwest side of Fisher Avenue to Tom Fox. As you may know the Fisher Avenue Wootton up to West Willard that has been designed and gone through all the proper channeling through the State there is a little bit of an argument about how to treat the intersection at Wootton and Fisher that is because the State has a plan where they do not want to put the pavers in, they would prefer just to have a stick down like you see that peels up all over the place, so we are trying to...

Mr. McKenney: Convince them otherwise.

Mr. Yost: Right we want something that looks classy in town we don't want that stuff.

Mr. Strong: Yea we don't want that. All right so to start from the Wootton intersection as we move down through this area there is an elevation difference, we would probably have to build a slight retaining wall nothing large 2 foot and actually move down forward toward Luhn...

Mr. Brown: I'm sorry where are you starting again?

Mr. Strong: It starts right here, it is not too much, I don't think we would be able to get a grade unless we take out all the trees and everything in here.

Mr. McKenney: That is going to be on that little strip of green right?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. Strong: So we prefer to try to keep the trees as much as possible.

Mr. Yost: He is staying on that, I mean on the other side of the road of course we have the park property there, we do not have any easements anywhere down that road now, those are all just restricted easements we don't have any.

Mr. McKenney: Ok.

Mr. Yost: That is why we are looking at this side.

Mr. Strong: As you can see at Wootton this spot we have a problem, an official problem when you pull up into the intersection far enough so you can see around this hump that would be the retaining wall, it would probably be 5 to 6 feet high then it would be the sidewalk and then the road so there will be green separation in that area because we have to hold the retaining wall back.

Mr. McKenney: That retaining wall is in that curb right.

Mr. Strong: Correct.

Mr. McKenney: So how do you bring the sidewalk down, I mean it has got to be ADA right so...

Mr. Strong: We are not running the sidewalk at the top of the retaining wall, the retaining wall holds the slope back, then the sidewalk...

Mr. McKenney: Oh right, right, right, ok I got you.

Mr. King: Figure you go 5 foot off that thing that would help a lot.

Mr. Strong: It will help there.

Mr. McKenney: I'm not sure the homeowner will think that is an improvement there.

Mr. Yost: We have a right of way there.

Mr. Strong: It is probably better than maintaining the slope. There is a walkway here, a crosswalk that is going to be depicted in the stencil pattern and there will be some discussion again with State Highway about how to treat this. There are several new products out that are green products that are actually plastic, you melt the asphalt, stamp the asphalt and you put a plastic down on top of that and heat that plastic so that you get a pattern, it almost looks like brick, that is from here to here on down we would go ahead and the sidewalk would just pick up from the wall on this property it all works well drainage wise, we won't know the actual --- of grading for that area, that spot.

Mr. Yost: John are we looking at curb there too or just sidewalk?

Mr. Strong: Curb and sidewalk.

Mr. McKenney: So the County doesn't like curb on the other one but they will let curb...

Mr. Strong: State Highway.

Mr. McKenney: Oh State ok.

Mr. Yost: They let us do it on Tads because it was a small portion but since it is hooking up with Elgin's development that is where they are having a problem.

Mr. McKenney: Oh ok.

Mr. Strong: They are using the Hillard Avenue as the dividing line for whatever reason. On the other side of this road further up on Fisher further up this way you can curb so half a dozen either way you go. We will have to modify the guardrail in this area here does anybody know what kind of tree that is?

Mr. McKenney: I don't know but it is ugly.

Mr. King: A Keebler tree.

Mr. Strong: That thing produces --- like no other one I have ever seen. We will go ahead and bring the sidewalk on down, this area and the black line these are 2 development pieces, this is the there is a 4 house development we had a preliminary plan shown to us

about a year ago on this here, they are just waiting for the market to change, I believe allocation has been...

Mr. Yost: Has been everybody has now.

Mr. Brown: Yea they were early, Hernandez right.

Mr. Yost: That is Quito right there.

Mr. Strong: And then the horse farm parcel that area will be improvements also along with the sidewalk.

Mr. Brown: Hang on for a second I think you guys have something if we are talking about being part of this it will have to be one of those step up to the plate situations where it will be we do that versus waiting for the developer.

Mr. Pike: And then we get paid back?

Mr. Brown: And then we get paid back and I know there was previous history that was something we didn't necessarily want to do but I mean that is something that we would have to do.

Mr. Pike: And since this is state road any state funds available?

Mr. Yost: Sometimes.

Mr. Strong: Sometimes it depends on if they are willing to cough it up. Then this right of way is in front of the church, the Catholic Church, this is pretty straightforward, it carries the sidewalk and curb and gutter down, we did add a crosswalk, which would be applicable.

Mr. Pike: Can we take those cameras down when we put the sidewalks in?

Mr. Strong: If they come down somebody might be looking for me.

Mr. King: John why would you take a crosswalk there, there is nothing on that side?

Mr. Strong: Eventually there may be.

Mr. Pike: There is a curb there now.

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Mr. McKenney: How much for that whole run ballpark?

Mr. Strong: Not going to tell you until I actually do my numbers.

Mr. Yost: We just kind of were throwing things out there and see what you guys wanted numbers on.

Mr. McKenney: How much money do we think we have to spend for this?

Mr. Yost: For which?

Mr. McKenney: For the sidewalks, I mean do we have a ballpark that we have to recommend?

Mr. Yost: The only money for sidewalks in the budget right now is \$250,000.00 elevated earmarked for Hunters Run but now it has changed to just sidewalk construction doesn't even have an area they are waiting for us to prioritize.

Mr. McKenney: So in theory we have at least \$250,000.00.

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. McKenney: And we may need more depending on what we recommend and then the Commissioners approve.

Mr. Yost: Right --- trail --- some of these trails or whatever.

Mr. McKenney: Right I got ya, don't think we can do this for \$250,000.00 but ok.

Mr. Strong: I don't know we might be able to.

Mr. McKenney: The whole length you just talked about really.

Mr. Strong: The thing is its going to all be standard, the prices that we were paying last year we are now seeing construction prices down by 30%, between 25 and 30%.

Mr. Yost: Anna Vinci's will be a little bit different because she has to put turn lanes in across the front of that and that will be expensive there.

Mr. McKenney: Acquiring right of ways isn't that (inaudible).

Mr. Yost: Whenever someone develops or as the subdivisions came on we made the developers when Westerly was built we made the developer give us the right of way so it kind of occurs that way.

Mr. Pike: What about on 109 where you say you don't have the right of way.

Mr. Yost: We don't because back in the 1900's when those houses were built they didn't do that, they had prescriptive right of way for the highway only.

Mr. Pike: What is the process of getting the right of way?

Mr. Yost: To get the right of way, most likely eminent domain and you pay them for the, whatever it is worth.

Mr. Pike: So you would do them all at the same time?

Mr. Yost: Sure, those 4 properties on Elgin yes and that is something that is easily justifiable I mean it is a whole community getting into town.

Mr. Brown: The homeowners would not have that much leverage.

Mr. Yost: No and I think they are holding out because they want to get paid.

Mr. King: Tom Fox Trail talking about monies that just a certain distance why a sidewalk becomes a trail, the Hunters Run pond comes right down Tom Fox.

Mr. McKenney: We didn't get to Hunters Run yet but what was the price differential on the porous concrete, any consideration that we would do some of these sidewalks in that.

Mr. Strong: The thing about the porous concrete its great it is fantastic but it is a stormwater management device, we have to have a place to discharge the stormwater management, that water that comes into it so...

Mr. Yost: So when we say that --- is equivalent to what an asphalt parking lot would have been because an asphalt parking lot would have required stormwater management facility to manage the water coming off of it, we would have had 2 different facilities and we only have 1 now so that is why the price looked the same for porous versus an asphalt.

Mr. Strong: They have done some porous concrete sidewalks up at the high school and the trench there is about 6 foot of --- that is underneath there and discharged into the stormwater management system, we could do it but we would have to look at each case for instance there are certain sections in the town for instance down at Stoney Springs that wouldn't be very functional because you go down about 2 ½ feet and drop.

Mr. Yost: You can never put any salt or treatment on it either.

Mr. King: And you can't use a spray blower.

Mr. Pike: Do you have to vacuum it?

Mr. King: So you are talking about a homeowner can't use his walk behind blower on it.

Mr. McKenney: Right ok skip that then. Hunters Run.

Mr. Pike: Tom Fox sidewalk how wide is that?

Mr. Strong: 5 foot.

Mr. Pike: Is that part of the trail?

Mr. Yost: Right now it is 4 foot. Which part of Tom Fox?

Mr. Pike: From the corner down is that Tom Fox?

Mr. McKenney: Past the church.

Mr. Yost: The church going down that is 6 foot because that is part of the trail.

Mr. Pike: That is part of the trail so we could wrap the trail around, it could be part of the trail.

Mr. Yost: It could be we need to get the Master Plan and what is done and what is proposed.

Mr. Pike: Some of that money could come from the trail.

Mr. McKenney: Hunters Run.

Mr. Strong: All right Hunters Run we picked up the --- of the sidewalk would be from Hughes all the way down to the Elementary School.

Mr. McKenney: Middle School.

Mr. Strong: Middle School yea Middle School. We don't have a survey on this and we will get it hopefully July 1 when the new allocation of funds goes forth. There is numerous utilities in the area this is Tom Fox here, Tom Fox Avenue running down toward the Elementary School, the Middle School is down here, the square boxes are stormwater management devices, the plan is to put curb and gutter, 5 foot of sidewalk and to leave the swale in place, we are also going to fill it in once we have the survey and do a cost comparison closing in the swale but we need to have the survey first and make sure all the drainage works off of each lot. This side of the road we would expand 6 inches that way in order to widen the road slightly.

Mr. Yost: Hey John on this one here, the stormwater, I am trying to look underneath here, is the stormwater piping underneath all this?

Mr. Strong: In various areas there is.

Mr. Yost: Is it like continuous.

Mr. Strong: No it breaks in totally different places.

Mr. Yost: All right that is what I thought.

Mr. McIntyre: So what is stormwater management is that just where you've actually got a grate there or something where all the water flows?

Mr. Strong: A grate it could be also the piping.

Mr. McIntyre: The squares there.

Mr. Strong: The squares these are inlet, they tend to be manholes more inlets and then it comes down here.

Mr. King: I think it does go across the houses.

Mr. Strong: So they are all the way down and then I think this is a structure here probably running down this way. There we go there is a crossover down this way, so we have structures to worry about and the locations we will have to get the invert on those pipes to make sure that whatever we do we aren't impacting. The cutoff point for this project is right here that is the Middle School, there is curb and gutter there and that is where the curb and gutter picks up along the sidewalk.

Mr. McIntyre: How long is it, picked up at Halmos right or no part way down it is not, Halmos half way down to the Middle School is not curb and gutter.

Mr. Yost: Right none of that is.

Mr. Strong: So once we have the survey we will come back with hard numbers for the 2 options with decisions to be made.

Mr. McKenney: So you are going to have to move, you have to take 6 inches of the road in order to make the curb and gutter now right and that is where you need to extend the 6 inches on the other side?

Mr. Strong: No we are simply widening the road by, we are going to keep the curb and gutter, the gutter panel will run right along the edge of the existing roadway, that will be 6 inches here, then we are going to go ahead, there was talk of moving the roadway 6 inches this way, that would make the road current time I believe is a 20 foot road so it will give you a total of 25 feet and its more the perception plus a slight compensation for the fact that there will be a hard curb on the side where people now drive, also the parking area will be restricted that much more if they park in the street.

Mr. McKenney: How do you extend that 6 inches do you wait until we resurface all of that otherwise you are going to put a little 6 inch piece of asphalt.

Mr. Yost: Either way you are going to have a patch in there because of the curb, you will always have a patch in there once you do a curb line.

Mr. McKenney: No the other side where you add the 6 inches of road.

Mr. Yost: Ok I got you.

Mr. Strong: Probably what we will do is mill back and put a mill strip through here then when we do resurface which is in 2013 I believe then that will give the usual treatment that we do in Poolesville which is mill this gutter pan and do a full overlay of --- and an inch and a half of asphalt so the whole road...

Mr. Brown: John just to be straight I mean I think you preferred both sides, yea right there (inaudible).

Mr. Pike: And how wide is the sidewalk?

Mr. Strong: 5 foot of sidewalk.

Mr. Pike: I assume you would have to build it up and then the owners would...

Mr. Strong: Well we would raise the road by 6 inches that was one of the reason to put the sidewalk against the curb so that it would shallow out the --- that would occur in the swale, we didn't want to repeat what happened at Westerly and by putting it up against the curb we would have less of an impact.

Mr. McIntyre: Here is a question how do you guys feel though aesthetically about how it is going to look, you've got the curb and then you've got whatever 5 or 6 feet of sidewalk.

Mr. Yost: We built it on Kohlhoss just because of the way part of the road that we had we built the sidewalk in, just ride down Kohlhoss Road and take a look at that new sidewalk we just put in.

Mr. McIntyre: Because I guess what I am thinking too though one of the main reasons we are doing this is safety for the people walking, now they are walking almost right on a curb which is right next to the street.

Mr. Strong: It is a typical business district that is done in Montgomery County...

Mr. Yost: At the Commissioners Meeting we had this exact same discussion and we said ok well lets move it back and put that space in so then you fill the swale so then the project you are looking at a million dollars, so that is why we need the survey and just prices.

Mr. Strong: It may not be practical to fill the swale in because of the --- and then again it may be practical simply to shift the sidewalk towards the swale but we won't know that until we (inaudible).

Mr. McKenney: So on the other side you put curb and gutter and sidewalk you don't have any obstructions per se, you got some lampposts I think, the other side where you add 6 inches you going to get everybody's mailboxes.

Mr. Strong: Correct. The mailboxes are much easier to move than lampposts.

Mr. Brown: And technically any work that people have done out there they weren't supposed to anyway?

Mr. Strong: That is correct.

Mr. Brown: Jeff at the time our round numbers it was 3 to 4 times the cost to (inaudible). John are we coming up with a cost for doing not just Tom Fox but Halmos, Hillard...

Mr. Pike: Come around Hoskinson.

Mr. Yost: It would put it back in at the Commission level at least and probably here too, the whole thing with the sidewalks that are there now.

Mr. Brown: Well certainly we could probably extrapolate the Tom Fox costs.

Mr. McKenney: All right what is next?

Mr. Strong: Fisher Avenue Streetscape this is a project that has already been going on, design --- State Highway has talked about it...

Speaker: 7 billion dollars.

Mr. Pike: Yea you guys are bundling that up.

Mr. Strong: This is a typical section of the roadway, you have your road a bike lane curb and gutter and a green space and then the 5-foot sidewalk, the slopes here are to be no greater than 2 to 1 in either direction. All right West Willard there are not a lot of things that are happening in the downtown area but I will go over a few points, we are going to add crosswalks those points are in negotiations, the trees you will recognize by the dots those are going to be cherry trees similar to what are planted down at CVS I know you see those blossom every spring, we picked those trees for a particular reason they stay short the downside of those trees is every 20 or 30 years you have to replace them they do die. We have some brick sidewalk that will be going right in this area we improved the parking area it still has the same amount of parking spaces but it gives a little more traffic flow there is also going to be a beware of the bike signs that you sometimes see in the bike travel lane up, out in front of the old town hall this is a brick paved area or a stamped concrete asphalt area so that we can give it that old feel. Sidewalk continues down here there is a telephone pole right in this area that we cannot relocate...

Mr. Brown: There is no work around on that?

Mr. Strong: No we looked at, I mean there is there is always a work around, Allegheny Power I talked to them about it but it would be considerable cost, they want us to give them a hard plan of where we want to move it too. You know that one is pretty well protected around the building a little bit...

Mr. Pike: Where is this?

Mr. Strong: Right there.

Mr. Pike: I don't know where you are oh yea right there.

Mr. Strong: We have sidewalk continuing on down through town, a series of trees through here, there is a sidewalk right along this property the Willard property that would be the correct term I guess, that is still to be constructed and if this parcel is developed I won't replace the curb and gutter now (inaudible). We also have a stormwater management or storm drainage improvement we will have to put CMP-254s across the road. All right there is the Commons right there we have some crosswalk improvement

and also some --- improvement to go in, curb and gutter, this is the Tads is right here, McDonalds is right here, we also have sidewalk improvements...

Mr. Yost: Isn't there a crosswalk right in front of McDonalds there?

Mr. Pike: Yep and no one ever stops.

Mr. Yost: We have an argument with State Highway right now about that particular...

Mr. Pike: What are we arguing about?

Mr. Yost: We want some better signage or some notification that there is a crosswalk there, you got 5 ingress and egress out of shopping centers and kids are going back and forth it is very dangerous area right there.

Mr. Pike: All day long.

Mr. Yost: Today --- for a second with John, Jeff Wentz from State Highway wrote me an email and said he'd be happy to come out here and sit down and talk with some groups about their rights and responsibilities as far as crossing the road and if someone tells you that they are getting a smart butt comment back, so I wrote him a nice email back and explained to him why that wouldn't work.

Mr. Zachrel: Invite him out have him come out and we will have the group of people and then he can sit there and try to belittle the taxpayers.

Mr. McIntyre: Wait we'll stand on one side and let him cross the road.

Mr. Strong: All right and the crosswalk I don't know why it's not on there. Anyway heading on down the sidewalk --- improvements, they are in place we will have to add handicap ramps, this area will have to be adjusted, crosswalk here, now coming down to the Wootton intersection this is what we talked about before we have some cherry trees coming along here, we moved this guardrail back to this, back onto the Jamison townhouse property, we also moved the path to create a bike lane along this property here and the biggest thing is there will be lots of signage for the bikes, we didn't put signage or a bike lane going out of town coming from Rockville its all going towards Whites Ferry and...

Mr. Yost: Another big change for that intersection is Wootton Avenue that becomes similar to Cattail when you come out on Fisher, it has a right turn only and a left straight or turn left, so get rid of that traffic clog a little bit improve that intersection.

Mr. Strong: And also improve this turning lane here, the white cone things would disappear.

Mr. Yost: The developers will do some of that stuff as John was saying but a lot of its going to depend on grants.

Mr. King: Those cone things really have done its job they keep people from passing and going right by when kids are going by, it truly is I know it's a eyesore but it has done what it is supposed to do.

Mr. Pike: The first few months people would knock them over.

Mr. Brown: I still wish we could do something about the so-called passing lane right hand lane coming up to that.

Mr. Yost: State Highway wanted to come out and put the melt down patchwork on there, we said we would rather do some stamped asphalt, we did a little field trip we have some pictures of what he was recommending and it was kind of a glittery red it was hideous looking.

Mr. Strong: Down by the Black Rock Center there is a series of crosswalk areas that are there and the stuff is just popping up right and left.

Mr. Pike: It looks like roof shingles.

Mr. Yost: Exactly.

Mr. Strong: And that is what they were proposing to use and we said we don't want it we know what it looks like and they said well they did it wrong that is why its popping, well if they did it wrong they should have taken care of it a long time ago.

Mr. McKenney: All right so we need to make recommendations to get costs on sidewalk stuff or...

Mr. Yost: Yea we can by next meeting have some cost estimates.

Mr. Strong: Sure I can give you a linear square foot price based on the footage but there are other things we don't know because we don't have a survey and we won't have that until...

Mr. Yost: Well we won't have the Tom Fox one. We do have 3 estimates.

Mr. McKenney: Well I mean do you guys want John to focus on any one particular area over another?

Mr. Brown: I think I made my difference known about that, without question I think we need to have Tom Fox, are we on the sidewalks or streetscape?

Mr. McKenney: Sidewalks.

Mr. Brown: Tom Fox and then the round number study Fisher Avenue all the way down.

Mr. Yost: We might have some of that already, we can update it.

Mr. Pike: What about 109?

Mr. Brown: Might as well but that is tricky.

Mr. McKenney: Yea but I also I think...

Mr. Pike: Why is it tricky?

Mr. McKenney: Because of the easements.

Mr. Pike: Well but Tom is going to have his do his first.

Mr. McKenney: Yea but I'm thinking where is the greater need right now, I don't think that is the greater demand I should say.

Mr. Pike: Well we have to find out what it's going to cost.

Mr. McKenney: Yea but we pay John every time we get a cost.

Mr. Pike: I thought we were going to list all the sidewalks that need to be done.

Mr. McIntyre: But I think we've kind of got that narrowed down it really is Fisher Avenue and Tom Fox for now and you put Elgin and the rest at the bottom of the list.

Mr. Pike: What about West Willard from 107 down to the High School we don't have sidewalks on either side, people walk to the High School. You know we are supposed to come up with a list that is all, doesn't mean we have to do them. What do you think anything else?

Mr. Yost: Should be fairly easy to come up with some ballpark figures for most of these anyway.

Mr. King: Where you see people walking in the road most dangerous and I am in Town all hours of the day, but that one corridor people walk down the edge of that road that is the most dangerous section.

Mr. Yost: Where we have that trail system my wife and I use it all the time, leave our house go down Spates Hill hop over go down Tom Fox and all the way around.

Mr. McIntyre: Preston where are you talking about?

Mr. King: Where the Catholic Church is either side of the road we need to get something because when people walk that is a highly traveled road in town and that is something we

need to concentrate on 107 and Kohlhoss the same thing, they did it now it is perfect we don't see the kids in the road this is something to keep people off, this is high speed lot of traffic on 107.

Mr. Brown: Well you guys it's only going to come down to foot traffic on Tom Fox probably versus 107 higher speed dangerous.

Mr. Pike: Well Tom Fox right now but come middle of June Tom Fox won't be...

Mr. Brown: Yea that is true but that is a neighborhood people are on it. For us we can rank them 1, 2, A, B whatever those are probably in my mind we are all in agreement I mean I think that is pretty easy and then make up the rest of the list with Elgin and West Willard is definitely substantial I mean we kicked that around.

Mr. Pike: And then Wootton Avenue from West Willard down.

Mr. Brown: Quit naming places. No I'm just kidding you. I totally agree.

Mr. Pike: Wootton Avenue by the High School.

Mr. Yost: Oh you are talking about where the new bus stop is.

Mr. Pike: Right there all the way down kids walk there in the morning and the afternoon.

Mr. Strong: Can I make a suggestion? Look at where the wear foot traffic paths are...

Mr. Yost: Well somewhat yea but as far as what Jeff is saying what is your criteria for a sidewalk as far as prioritizing, do you have a criteria to help you evaluate.

Mr. Brown: Well I think you have to have money to some degree because that is a start and seriously if we find out that Fisher Avenue is \$750,000.00 to do that and we find out that the compromise method true ballpark compromised method Tom Fox is \$150,000.00 then I think we would probably think pretty hard about doing Tom Fox first and figure out a way to fund Fisher Avenue through either excess or the State, rainy day, developers.

Mr. Yost: At the end of the fiscal year sometimes the maintenance State Highway maintenance has money that you can get if you catch them at the right time, that is why we had some money set aside for this but it was a phone call I made to the State and \$40,000.00 they gave us to help us do this out here, we were just in line at the right time. So if you look at Fisher Avenue you may want to prioritize it what would you do if that scenario came up.

Mr. McIntyre: Is there any money now for the 4 sidewalks besides the trail money?

Mr. Brown: Yea there is \$250,000.00.

Mr. McIntyre: So technically we have got \$450,000.00 if we wanted to do Fisher Avenue. Fisher Avenue if you look at the Master Plan is a part of our trail system.

Mr. Yost: Is it ok well then go.

Mr. Pike: And then you could wrap that whole thing in.

Mr. McIntyre: Fisher Avenue is where you get a lot of high-speed traffic, Preston is right kids out there on their bikes.

Mr. Pike: I'd rather see something there than a curb on Tom Fox.

Mr. Brown: And I agree that is what we are here to talk about. I mean I do too but I want to make sure it is flushed out. We are talking about taking something that is already there and improving it versus taking something that nothing is there even though there is a substantially higher level of foot traffic on Tom Fox than Fisher. I asked for feedback on it some time ago and it was 100% pro there was not one person that said, but the question I made sure they know we are not talking about disturbing their lawn either which some people may end up having some of that.

Mr. McIntyre: You were saying how do we prioritize it, is our, do we weight it is there something there now versus improving, I mean I would think my personal feeling is there is nothing there now I would weigh that heavier.

Mr. Zachrel: So would I.

Mr. Pike: John what is ballpark for Fisher throw a number.

Mr. Strong: No I'm not going to I have to measure it and look at it.

Mr. Yost: We can do parts of it, the parts that we can't do we come down across the townhouses get to Luhn, we can get to Westerly and then hit some bumps going across to Anna Vinci's because there is road widening and different things and stormwater management changes.

Mr. Pike: At least when you get to the --- you can still walk on there right, you can still walk in the grass there if we don't get a sidewalk in right away.

Mr. Yost: Right and actually the Catholic Church is an easy one to put in, it is going to be attached to one of the developments so that is on our back no matter what happens.

Mr. Pike: Yea right but if you put it from there to the corner then you get up to what is that street by the tree and you can't go anymore, then you got to cut through that little area that is narrow.

Mr. Brown: Or the guardrail that is something that is a problem as well, that is all relocation, I mean I walk it all the time.

Mr. Yost: Yea I think we are going to keep part of the guardrail and lose part of it.

Mr. Brown: Just to get back to Jeff I like the idea of prioritizing and if we have to do this tonight Fisher, Tom Fox or...

Mr. Pike: I'm Fisher, West Willard.

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Mr. Yost: We don't have easements or right of ways over there.

Mr. McKenney: Oh really you don't.

Mr. Yost: That is going to be coming up here I mean...

Mr. McKenney: Well that adds to the cost.

Mr. Pike: Well the other problem then Winchester is going to have a sidewalk up to the church right or where is that sidewalk going to stop.

Mr. Yost: I think they have to put one across the Baptist Church property.

Mr. Pike: It's going to end by that white house right by Dr. Asuncion?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. Strong: Toward Fisher Avenue right?

Mr. Yost: That there yes that portion but on the frontage of the (inaudible).

Mr. Brown: Also along Wootton Avenue where the high school is there with the bus stop I mean those are all areas we got to look at. You are right it is hellacious foot traffic areas with people all the time.

Mr. Pike: But I tell you all day long I see people walk up and down 107, that was one of the best thing, one of the best things we ever did putting that sidewalk in.

Mr. Yost: And like in front of the old Meadowlark whatever we build a sidewalk according to what it would be like when the curb gets put in, we can probably do that at some other locations also. Soon as you get down to Anna Vinci put that sidewalk in and not build in the road speaking of what you are saying trying to get it all the way down.

Mr. McKenney: So you say we've got rough numbers for Tom Fox right.

Mr. Strong: We will.

Mr. Yost: Well we have the 3 scenarios but they are rough.

Mr. McIntyre: Ok so we just need Fisher that sounds more of a priority.

Mr. Yost: Over West Willard, probably.

Mr. Pike: As long as we put West Willard and Wootton on the radar down the road at least we are thinking about it. What is the next step?

Mr. McKenney: Get prices.

Mr. Strong: He says go I go.

Mr. Yost: See how much power you guys have, where is Kurt today.

Mr. McKenney: Exactly where is Kurt. Lets see we are Park Rules and Regs I think we move to the next meeting, its getting kind of late here. Everybody all right with that next one, park rules and regs, all right, anybody look at them.

Committee Reports

Mr. McKenney: Parcel 840, I got a question about 840 is that...

Mr. Yost: We got to come up with a name for that.

Mr. Pike: McKenney Park.

Mr. Yost: That kind of sounds good actually.

Mr. Zachrel: It does sing.

Mr. McIntyre: Ok what is your question.

Mr. McKenney: Is that a park now?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. McKenney: Ok so it needs to be added to the Poolesville Parks...

Mr. Yost: Aren't you on the committee?

Mr. Pike: You're asking.

Mr. McKenney: Well it is still Parcel 840. We are going to have a Community Center on it maybe.

Mr. McIntyre: Who comes up with the name?

Mr. Yost: You guys.

Mr. McKenney: We do.

Mr. Pike: Can we put some trees along the back while we are waiting for all this to happen?

Mr. Yost: Back of where?

Mr. Pike: Back of Selby's all the way down that way.

Mr. Yost: No.

Mr. Pike: Can't put trees there.

Mr. McKenney: John had come up with a couple ideas and the committee liked, the committee had done what the Parks Board does usually and without scissors and said why don't we move this and that and so forth and so on, so we asked them to move some stuff around on the plot and basically if you look at the, we effectively have a rectangle piece of property and if you are looking at the property, you are standing where the townhouses are looking across the street, on the left hand side would be a future Community Center, kind of in the middle would be a parking lot setback with green space in front of it, over on the left hand side you have that kind of that upside down L shape that would be the Community Center, in front of that would be some green space, over to the right is a parking lot in front of that parking lot would be a good chunk of green space which I like because it sets everything back, behind that parking lot is a tot

lot and a fountain or something and the Wade Yost statue and over to the right I think where all the garbage dumpsters and everything are isn't that the Skatepark over there.

Mr. Brown: Not commenting.

Mr. McKenney: It is in the back but in the front is again flat green space for a number of reasons one we wanted to try and put the Skatepark away from the road further away from the any kind of impact noise and otherwise that it would have on the townhouses there, but we also wanted to have it visible which is why we put the grass space in front of it so anybody going by can see what is going on.

Mr. McIntyre: Thought there was going to be a parking lot in front of it.

Mr. McKenney: No it is off to the side. This is Wootton all right so here is the Community Center the parking lot is here that's green space, this is green space that is the...

Mr. Pike: What is that in the middle to your left?

Mr. McKenney: This is where the Wade Yost statue goes

Mr. Pike: Oh I got you I thought that was the Skatepark that is why I said that. So I think we, I know I commented back via email that I like that I don't know where everybody else stood in the group but I think that so John what is next with that if we say yes this is what we go with then you lay some stuff together and figure out what we can do at the moment right?

Mr. Strong: The next thing that I wait for is the action...

Multiple Conversations Taking Place

Mr. McKenney: Ok so I think that is probably it for what I got.

Mr. Zachrel: And then on the Skatepark itself I sat down with Jim and John and Wade this morning just to find out what the next steps are and as you know we did the \$175,000.00 grant from the State, I like to call it the \$175,000.00 T-shirt and I've got some action items here I am going to get some concrete specs out to John that I have actually received. A schematic of dimensions of the park that will fit inside that 10,000 so it will be anywhere between 6,600 to 7,000 that will fit inside that 10,000 which will also then give us room to put up a couple of picnic tables and also a not really a pavilion but someplace where the kids can get out of the sun, create some shade, parents can sit and watch their kids without sitting in the sun in July and August. I have put together a list of companies that we can send out an RFP to and I also did find a sample RFP for a Skatepark again just to give you a little info to go on and also looking at seeing what is involved in getting a camera up there, we talked to the camera people so we have some numbers there, we won't have to do the tower shot off the water tower because we will be in very close proximity and also having that solar powered that way we don't have to bring in electricity back to the Skatepark we just put a solar panel on it and run it that way. The camera system that we were discussing before allowed the basically to monitor the park right from Town Hall, when Town Hall is closed it will actually record on a disk if there is nothing wrong nothing goes wrong than that disk will continue to record over and if there is something wrong there is enough resolution we can get color ---.

Mr. McIntyre: I guess another thought I was having is the Internet.

Mr. Zachrel: We are looking at that. We would like to look into the internet and its not only keep an eye on the place because if your kid is doing a trick and they want to show somebody else across the country all they have to do is log onto the internet and there they are. And then I think we are inches away of putting the final touches on some

recommended rules, regulations, process and procedures basically we are taking a look at what other municipalities are doing across the United States and then basically taking best practices from there and then being able to put that together. Jim has been working on that and Jim I know you are real close to just I think he is down to grammar.

Mr. Brown: Yea I will have something for everybody to vet at least it's the way and according, I have taken a handful of municipalities that have a Skatepark thought process like we do and put together the list and kind of clean it up they all have different languages and kind of cross languages and then its something that I will be putting an email out to everybody here and we want feedback on it and if we need to meet and talk about it then we will do that too, still the concept is unmanned, a list of other minor requirements, no fees and treat it like it is a regular park.

Mr. McIntyre: I haven't been down to Rockville to see theirs and it is unmanned how is it fenced in or is it, or who if you've got these rules and regs who enforces them or is it just an honor system.

Mr. Yost: I think the rules and regs are for a liability issue because you enter at your own risk and you abide by the rules so I don't think there is an enforcement mechanism for the rules themselves.

Mr. McIntyre: Just for liability then is why you have them.

Mr. Yost: That is what LGIT has told me.

Mr. McIntyre: Yea I saw Rockville is unmanned and I thought I would drive down there sometime.

Mr. Brown: It is worth seeing, it is not the greatest park but not bad.

Mr. Zachrel: So that is where we are kind of at today, I've got some action items here I will be knocking a lot of these off, I have already got the concrete specs which were a little bit more surprising than I thought, its not like pouring concrete, its 10 pages with graphs but at least I got them, the dimensions I just have to dig those up but again I talked to a couple of the people who build Skateparks and one of them is supposed to be getting me over the dimensions of concepts but basically if it is 6600, 7000 square feet you know what are the dimensions this way and this way for the engineering purposes ok, we are looking to also get from, I got a spreadsheet going talking to a lot of the skaters in town and having them prioritize what do they want to see in a park, ramps, stairs, rails and that information will actually go into the RFP and then when we get the RFP back they are going to show us their creative designs to meet our goals and that would fall within our budget. Obviously we have \$175,000.00 plus the matching that we'll have but we are really only looking at a partial of that being for the Skatepark itself, because we still have the fencing, we have to do all these other things to make it happen...

Mr. McKenney: Pay John.

Mr. Zachrel: Got to pay John.

Mr. Yost: He said he would work for free, you are on the record saying it right.

Mr. Pike: John you can skate for free.

Mr. Zachrel: So we will knock off this bullet list as Jim said and we will be able to get out the parks rules and regulations again based on the best practice of what other municipalities are doing and move this thing along.

Mr. Pike: Very nice.

Mr. Zachrel: I learned a lot.

Mr. Yost: The whole thing is a learning curve.

Mr. McIntyre: --- Skatepark too or is that just part of the whole overall park.

Mr. Zachrel: I think it would be over on the overall park.

Mr. Brown: No I mean obviously we can still there is no --- there but I think the plan in addition to what Butch said and I don't want to keep us here one second longer than we have to, but the general discussion we had today in addition to the Skatepark was trying to come up with and we obviously have developed a location I think we are all comfortable with on the plot and then what other infrastructures that we need to put in time in terms of the parking lot the sidewalk leading up to it etc., we are trying to come up with like a minimum infrastructure to it so it gives the --- and it is all good to go so we scoped all that out today in addition to that and talked about an architectural style fence versus just chain link.

Mr. McIntyre: Think we will have any issues with people parking behind the plaza whatever you want to call it or Selby's or down a little farther I guess.

Mr. Yost: They might.

Mr. McKenney: Yea but I think the way we were talking even in the 840 that there will be a fence around the Skatepark and there will only be one point of access.

Mr. Brown: Yea the way this was discussed today (inaudible).

Mr. McKenney: He asked if they'd be able to get from 840 to McDonalds and Selby's from the parking lot and I don't think we have any intention of doing anything with the elevation so yes they should be.

Mr. Brown: There is a reason why there is a path right there people will be going to McDonalds or needing access to other areas.

Mr. Zachrel: And the park itself will be fenced in and then the place where the tables might sit so if they get McDonalds or get Subway they could come back and eat there or the parents can sit there and all of that will be outside the fence.

Mr. McIntyre: Outside the fence for the tables and umbrellas for the kids.

Mr. Yost: I thought it would be a combination I thought.

Mr. Zachrel: Ok and we can do that.

Mr. Pike: Like benches over on the side, people can sit down.

Mr. Brown: Well benches are a little bit of an issue inside of a park people who are familiar with it they will always say vandalism.

Mr. Zachrel: Well I have seen them at Olney they have them, at St. Mary's, at Charles County and also at Arlington and either they are the very simple aluminum inside the park, very simple aluminum or they are actually made out of the concrete itself and not only can you sit on them but they are also used as part of the apparatus. And that is it.

Election of Officers

Mr. McKenney: Yea the election of officers that looks like a holdover or carryover from something else.

Mr. Brown: That needs to be pulled.

Citizen Forum

Mr. McKenney: Citizen forum John is the only one left.

Adjournment

Mr. McKenney: So yea.

Mr. Pike: Move we go.

Mr. Brown: Second.

Mr. McKenney: Moved and seconded all in favor.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: We are adjourned.