

**POOLESVILLE PARKS BOARD
MEETING OF JUNE 9, 2010**

PRESENT: JIM BROWN, TIM PIKE, KURT BEHREND AND DOUG MCKENNEY. ALSO PRESENT WAS TOWN MANAGER, WADE YOST.

Call to Order

Mr. McKenney: Call to order the June 9, 2010 Poolesville Parks Board Meeting, it is 8:12. Present are Doug McKenney, Kurt Behrend, Tim Pike, Jim Brown, and Wade Yost.

Announcements

Mr. McKenney: First announcement is our next meeting is July 7 at 7:30, everybody put it on your calendars now not that we are all here so.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. McKenney: Approval of the May minutes unless anybody else has got any announcements?

Mr. Behrend: Actually Mr. Chairman with the meeting date of July 7 we may wish to...

Mr. Pike: You guys will be away.

Mr. Behrend: Are we here no we are the following week.

Mr. Pike: I won't be here. I will be away that week.

Mr. Brown: We don't have enough people to do the minutes either.

Mr. Pike: Yeah we do.

Mr. Behrend: I was not at the last meeting I was away on business.

Mr. McKenney: Oh yeah we can't you are right, so we can't approve minutes.

Mr. Yost: Sure the majority of a quorum can approve them.

Mr. McKenney: Ok. So the 7th works.

Mr. Pike: I will be out of town I believe.

Mr. McKenney: Anybody have any comments or changes to the May minutes or will entertain a motion?

Mr. Pike: Motion we approve the minutes of May 5th.

Mr. Brown: Second.

Mr. McKenney: Moved and seconded all in favor signify by saying aye.

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

Mr. McKenney: Opposed. Abstentions.

Mr. Behrend: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Kurt Behrend abstains not present at the meeting. We already took care of the April minutes right last time.

Mr. Yost: Must have.

Mr. Pike: See if it is in here. Approval of minutes yeah April approved.

Mr. McKenney: Ok.

Citizen's Comments on Agenda Items

Mr. McKenney: Citizen's comments on agenda, we have a couple citizens any comments on our agenda? Ok seeing none we will go right to new business, which is review of park permit applications.

New Business

Mr. McKenney: So I have two permits here, one for Seneca Soccer Association and the other one is for Lymphoma Research Foundation. Anybody here for either one of those?

Mr. Yost: Representative for Seneca Soccer is here.

Mr. McKenney: Ok come up and introduce yourself with address and I am not sure we may have some questions.

Mr. Hovencamp: My name is Edward Hovencamp I am at 19821 Spurrier Avenue.

Mr. McKenney: Thank you and you guys did this last year too right?

Mr. Hovencamp: Yes we did it last year.

Mr. McKenney: Took over all our fields.

Mr. Hovencamp: Yes.

Mr. McKenney: Oh yes and you are also in Germantown...

Mr. Hovencamp: Poolesville Elementary, the Polo Grounds, the Soccerplex.

Mr. McKenney: Right ok.

Mr. Hovencamp: We just can't use park, we used to use Park and Planning fields but starting last year you can't use them before September 1 now, you can use school fields but not Park and Planning, they have decided that the month of August the grass needs to grow.

Mr. Behrend: Grass grows in August?

Mr. Hovencamp: They say that is when it grows best according to the County. Last year was a success for us, it was the biggest tournament ever we had like 306 teams. It is always the last weekend in August our tournament.

Mr. McKenney: Did it rain one day or something?

Mr. Hovencamp: It rained that Saturday and it threw, we basically had to push everything back 4 hours, your fields were fine but the Soccerplex waited 4 hours to open them up so we just across the board pushed everything back 4 hours.

Mr. Pike: Any conflicts?

Mr. Yost: No there is no conflicts.

Mr. McKenney: And let's see so you are looking for Halmos and Stevens, the soccer fields, and the baseball field at Stevens is not big, the outfield is not big enough to accommodate a soccer field is it?

Mr. Yost: They used it last year.

Mr. McKenney: Stevens oh really, I know you did at Halmos.

Mr. Hovencamp: We used every field except the small is it Halmos...

Mr. McKenney: One.

Mr. Yost: The one at the top yeah.

Mr. McKenney: Yeah Halmos 1.

Mr. Hovencamp: We used all the other fields though. The big field at Halmos has got the rocks so we put a small field on it.

Mr. McKenney: Right ok all right. I think you had volunteer's kind of moving people around or directing them or no I am trying to remember.

Mr. Hovencamp: We had like 100's of volunteers.

Mr. McKenney: Yeah ok.

Mr. Hovencamp: There was an issue with parking one guy parked at that baseball field off of Hughes, it was actually one of our Board Members and we nailed him. We kept it clean.

Mr. McKenney: Well I think it went fine last year I live right near there so I don't know if I even saw it, I don't remember really any problems, would encourage you to obviously indicate ahead of time park in the parking lots, etc., etc. and watch the no parking zones and so forth. Any questions you guys have.

Mr. Brown: The only thing I was going to say was that I will definitely talk to PAA Sports about offering --- at Halmos I would imagine for the concessions, I don't know where else the opportunity is.

Mr. Hovencamp: Muldoon's would be tough because he is pretty picky down there. Poolesville Elementary we will have a couple fields there but like I said last year everyone recommended using them but then they bowed out with like a week to go so it kind of left us...

Mr. Brown: They would only be doing it if it was going to be professionally...

Mr. Hovencamp: We are glad to use them.

Mr. Brown: I know you are.

Mr. Hovencamp: Poolesville High School and the Boosters if they want to get in on it.

Mr. Brown: I will talk to the Booster Club.

Mr. Hovencamp: If they want to get in on it we are more than...

Mr. Brown: There is no doubt it is a great opportunity.

Mr. Hovencamp: Yeah I came into Town last year I ran out of ice at Bernie Mihm's, he gives us ice, he has this big ice machine out there, and I came into Town and I couldn't even get into the parking lot there was so many people out there at Subway they were packed.

Mr. McKenney: Jim we will let you take be the good guy on this and we should probably definitely let food vendors in Town or restaurants in Town either to be ready for a wave or if there is an opportunity for them to have a little stands or whatever...

Mr. Brown: Sure Chamber everybody else we will definitely get the word out.

Mr. McKenney: Yeah should have a lot of people moving around and if they don't have to drive somewhere to go get food and just do it right there.

Mr. Brown: There is no more thing that draws more people in this Town besides Poolesville Day.

Mr. Hovencamp: We'd like to build out here. I talked to the club trying to approach you guys about using these fields for the club fields but we share a lot of fields with Damascus and they don't want to drive to Poolesville, they want us to drive to Damascus of course that is how we keep all our stuff really nice.

Mr. McKenney: I was just saying you beat up their fields all year and just come and use ours once.

Mr. Hovencamp: Now last year it was a \$900.00 fee. \$400.00 went to a Town employee and...

Mr. Yost: For overtime so we had a Staff member that does trash and works the weekend.

Mr. McKenney: That is right we did so it was \$400.00 went for overtime and I think we did we request something to help us repair the fields afterwards. So that the total for that was, that was the \$900.00 ok.

Mr. Hovencamp: And if you think that is too low I am not going to say, I mean on the record, off the record you probably should charge a little bit more. I am sitting here as a Board Member of Seneca and I think those fields are probably worth a little bit more to you guys.

Mr. McKenney: I appreciate your honesty that is nice to know, obviously it is going to be a bit of a strain or a stress on the fields and we want to find the right balance but don't want to make anybody feel like they are being taken advantage of either.

Mr. Hovencamp: I mean we are a non-profit all of our money goes back to the teams, last year we made about \$25,000.00 off the August Cup and we gave \$24,000.00 of it back to the teams.

Mr. McKenney: Wow ok and this is the August Cup?

Mr. Hovencamp: Coming here and using these fields, it is \$250.00 a game at the Soccerplex, \$200.00 at Muldoons, if we had to play every game there we wouldn't make any money.

Mr. Brown: What was the total amount that you paid last year, how much was it?

Mr. McKenney: You said \$900.00 right.

Mr. Brown: \$900.00 total. Wade can you come up with a more appropriate number of something that kind of really justifies...

Mr. Pike: Did we have to do anything after?

Mr. Yost: You guys always had a policy not to charge and this is an appropriate amount for I mean it is lowball compared to everybody else but we aren't in it to make money.

Mr. Pike: I vote to keep it \$900.00 and if you want to make a donation that is fine.

Mr. Behrend: What I suggest is we just do whatever attach whatever the cost is for the employee to pick up and what we did for maintenance last year and we always welcome donations. They are public fields they are funded by taxpayer funds, you have Poolesville people.

Mr. Yost: And we go down county and have meetings with them and they try to tax us and give us different things on our ball fields or for the --- and be like the rest of the County and we say no we don't charge for our fields, they are open to the public.

Mr. McKenney: If you wanted to pay that and then pay like these guys are saying a donation and you wanted to earmark it or target it to a future park equipment or nets or use or whatever I mean I am sure we will find something to do with it.

Mr. Behrend: We have done this with other groups before. We had a formal agreement even with UMAC at one point for ball field dust and whatever so you can target that towards things that will help you in the future.

Mr. McKenney: Need a price estimate on removing that rock.

Mr. Hovencamp: They had to remove that rock so we could use that field.

Mr. McKenney: Well I would be open if you've got time to have somebody come out and take a look and see what that is and you guys are open to the suggestion, we will entertain that as an idea.

Mr. Hovencamp: I mean right now primarily Poolesville is where the smaller kids play but that field we could use as a full size field. I am discussing with Mr. Ross about using the High School he has got it looking pretty good.

Mr. Brown: I'm going to tell you with the struggles that have gone on there they are probably not going to let it happen.

Mr. Hovencamp: We are working on it. But we might use the practice field behind there too that is a full size but I don't know think about it, we would like to bring some bigger kids here as long as the fields are nice. But the baseball fields are perfect I am telling you for the younger kids, we lined them out, we had our stuff out the next, that Sunday night we were gone and trash wasn't an issue right?

Mr. McKenney: No. No I think it went very well last year.

Mr. Hovencamp: We are very fortunate that you guys let us use it. So we were between a rock and a hard spot we had too many teams and we didn't have enough fields, if we used all of our games at the Soccerplex we'd have been in the hole.

Mr. McKenney: Gentlemen?

Mr. Behrend: Well I propose a motion then that we approve the permit before us with the proviso of the cost for overtime cost as per last year be covered by the applicant and move for approval.

Mr. McKenney: That and field repair.

Mr. Behrend: Yeah field repair same costs as associated with last year.

Mr. McKenney: Ok.

Mr. Behrend: But we are always willing to take more.

Mr. Hovencamp: If anything happens there is not much we can tear up other than the grass but we would fix it.

Mr. McKenney: Is there a motion out?

Mr. Pike: I second yeah.

Mr. McKenney: Motion has been moved and seconded all in favor signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed, abstentions? Motion carries. Ok thank you very much.

Mr. Hovencamp: You are welcome.

Mr. McKenney: All right the Lymphoma well this is the bike race permit right. Has anybody spoken to you Wade?

Mr. Yost: They did, they called and we talked, they were going to have a representative here tonight I am not for sure why they didn't show up. It is the same race as that has been going on every year.

Mr. McKenney: So when is it, October 3, do we want to wait until they have a representative before us or do we just want to...

Mr. Pike: When is the race?

Mr. McKenney: October 3rd.

Mr. Pike: Did it go off pretty smooth last year?

Mr. Brown: It's the same guy that comes in, nice guy, wears a jacket.

Mr. Behrend: This isn't Vela.

Mr. McKenney: Oh wait you are right this is not Vela.

Mr. Behrend: This is not the Vela Club.

Mr. Yost: Most of it is outside of Town but portions of it will go through Town and by Halmos Park to use the restrooms.

Mr. Brown: Isn't it amazing that they didn't reserve Halmos Park and for some odd reason the bathroom was locked.

Mr. Yost: I think the sewage pump went down or something that very weekend.

Mr. Brown: Do you have any objection to the permit?

Mr. Yost: It's exactly like it was last year.

Mr. Pike: Make a motion we approve the permit for the Lymphoma Research Race.

Mr. McKenney: It has been moved.

Mr. Behrend: I would like to add an amendment to it that any cleanup cost for the bathroom be attached to the permittee.

Mr. McKenney: They are only relying on our park restrooms, they are not putting in porta-potties?

Mr. Yost: I am not for sure of that.

Mr. McKenney: Halmos Park as a rest stop.

Mr. Yost: They have a bunch of rest stops but I don't know exactly what they all have.

Mr. Behrend: I will second Tim's motion and make my amendment to the motion.

Mr. McKenney: Ok do we have a second on the amendment?

Mr. Pike: I'll second.

Mr. McKenney: It has been moved and seconded on the amendment all in favor of approving the amendment signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed, abstentions. All in favor of the recommendation to accept this permit signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed, abstentions, motion carries. All right thank you. Any other new business, although I guess this is old business the Springfest update is old.

Mr. Yost: Well it's an update I guess so but you've not seen Karen.

Mr. McKenney: Yeah Karen and Cathy haven't been before us. So this is new business, come on up.

Mr. Pike: I've been bringing it up.

Mr. McKenney: Who are you?

Mr. Pike: Wow.

Ms. Micheals: I am Karen Micheals I am at 19723 Selby Avenue in Poolesville and I am also President of the CEDC.

Ms. Bupp: And I am Cathy Bupp, 20611 Whites Ferry Road.

Ms. Micheals: So we are here today to give you an update on the Springfest project. In front of you is an overview document and a map and in the interest of time I thought we would just kind of go through the highlights of the event and we are here to ask permission to ultimately allow to have alcohol in Whalen Commons. So everybody knows that we had a survey last year and we were surveying the residents to find out what kind of activities they wanted to see in the Town and the top three activities that were requested were the Farmers' Market, a Beer & Wine Tasting and a Chili BBQ Cook-off and so the CEDC has already moved forward with the Farmers' Market it actually starts in 2 weeks and will be going on all summer so

we are now working on the next activity which is what we are calling the Springfest and that would combine actually the beer/wine and BBQ into one event. And what is nice about it is that it would be an anchor for a whole year long series of activities sponsored by the CEDC so we would have something in the winter which is our Business Fair and then the Springfest would be in the spring, and then we have our movies in the summer, etc., etc., all the way through the rest of the year. And all the activities that the CEDC have done have been wildly successful, we have had hundreds of people attracted to the Town and we know that people are spending their money in the Town after these events. So we feel like all these events are fostering a good sense of community and helping the businesses attract new business. The other nice thing is that there is a lot of beer and wine enthusiasts in Town and they have really rallied around this and I already have 14 people on a committee and I am sure I could find even more people that want to help, so there is a lot of interest and we've already had 2 meetings and we're just waiting to get a green light so we can keep planning. The way its going to work is that we envision that Whalen Commons is split into three sections, one section will have a tent, the middle section will be an area for vendors and then the other section will be for music. The tent is a requirement of Montgomery County Department of Liquor Licensing and luckily they have a very easy way to have beer and wine in events is only \$30.00 and will only take 14 days to get the license so that is very easy. The tent has to be enclosed which is no problem we have already found a place where we can get a tent and here is a sample picture of what it would look like and then the County also makes it easy for us to procure the beer and wine because they have a whole list like 80 pages long of different beers and wines that people choose from and we can also go to the local wineries if we'd like, which we are planning on doing. So that is how we would get the beer and wine for the tasting. Now the way we think it is going to work is we will have a table set up in front of the tent and there will be volunteers there selling tickets to get into the tent and that is just for the tasting the rest of the event is free, but to get into the tent it is going to be between \$10 and \$20.00 and that will include a souvenir tasting glass and 4 tickets and once you get inside the tent you will be able to go around to the different booths and taste the different beer and wine and they will be poured in 4 ounce pours, so it will be a 5 ounce glass that everybody will get and it will be 4 ounces so that is 16 ounces of alcohol that would be potentially consumed. The alcohol is restricted to the tent but people could come and go as they please to go get food or listen to music or whatever they want to do and then come back and finish off their tickets and if they want to get more tickets they can, we will probably sell 1 ticket at a time at a cost yet to be determined and then volunteers will have the right to refuse sales to anybody. The tasting ticket sales will close one hour before the end of the festival, that is on the recommendation of Montgomery County Department of Liquor License and there will also be other beverages available inside the tent. And all the volunteers will be required to attend a training class on how to card properly and I know it is over 30 years old or 35 years old they have to be carded, something like that. And then outside the tent we are going to have vendors, we are going to have BBQ, we will have other foods, we might have other merchandise for sale and then we will

have bands just rotating all the way through the day and it is not a whole day too, it starts at around noon and probably end around five, so its half a day.

Mr. McKenney: Now the beer and wine you are going to get that, I am thinking your comment about the local brewers or local wineries, all of that will have to be inside the tent as long as you are tasting, will they be able to sell product outside even uncorked.

Ms. Micheals: No.

Mr. McKenney: Can they sell cases or bottles inside?

Mr. Micheals: No I don't believe. Nothing inside the tent is for sale to take off premises, but we are thinking that the beer and wine that we select will be available for sale at the beer and wine stores or Selby's Market here in town so we are going to make that clear that if they like something in particular they can go across the street and buy it.

Mr. Pike: But they can't bring it back on Whalen Commons after buying it?

Ms. Micheals: No.

Mr. McKenney: Darn I was hoping that some of the local wineries around here you can I like that wine, I like that one, and that one you buy a case and you get a discounted price and you don't have to go driving all the way out to go get them.

Ms. Micheals: Not this year.

Mr. McKenney: Well is that the County that is restricting that or us?

Ms. Micheals: I think the County.

Ms. Bupp: Well I think the wineries could, I thought they said that the wineries were different than the brewers and the wineries could attend and could sell cases or bottles, we will have to check.

Ms. Micheals: I don't know.

Mr. McKenney: I was just curious.

Mr. Behrend: Just a question out of ignorance because I have not been able to make the last two meetings, with the Farmers' Market part of this, did we go through sales on the park property, go through and give approval for them.

Mr. McKenney: Yes basically it was an event organized by the Town so the Town has jurisdiction over the park and the park is the Town's and...

Mr. Behrend: That is fine.

Mr. McKenney: Yeah it was discussed.

Mr. Behrend: Just asking the question out of ignorance.

Mr. McKenney: It was definitely discussed and addressed.

Mr. Behrend: I just wanted to make sure we got all the ducks in a line.

Mr. McKenney: So we got to wait until May of 2011 huh? If you do a BBQ in the spring are you going to do a Chili in the fall?

Ms. Micheals: Maybe.

Mr. Yost: Just one point I think when you guys put together your Rules and Regulations you said as far as alcohol goes you wanted to make a recommendation that would allow the Commissioners to make the ultimate, is that what...

Mr. McKenney: Right. You are correct right now the Rules and Regs don't allow for the sale or consumption I guess I alcoholic beverages in our parks, so there is several ways we can deal with that, I think the most expeditious way is for us to do what we are contemplating tonight and that is to make a recommendation to the

Commissioners to say under these circumstances that is ok, provide an exception, the longer term and maybe solution is to actually put something in that says that some special whatever will be allowed if you meet these certain requirements. I think where we are at tonight is what do we want to recommend to the Commissioners.

Mr. Behrend: First I have got a concern the sales of the tickets would just be unlimited so people could go buy more than one ticket if they want.

Ms. Micheals: Yeah but if somebody is looking intoxicated then we are not...

Mr. Behrend: Yeah I understand somebody looking intoxicated I understand that but not everybody looks intoxicated. Personally I would prefer some sort of limit on that because once you get beyond 16 ounces of alcohol you are starting to push the limits on some folks whether they show it or not.

Mr. McKenney: The County regs or other groups that have done this, do they put, how do they work their ticket process do they start off with none or four or do they have a limit.

Ms. Bupp: I know at Sugarloaf Winery when they do their tastings that they buy the glass and 5 tickets and then they are sold by the glass.

Mr. Pike: What does the County recommend unlimited or at the discretion of the person selling it.

Ms. Micheals: Yeah.

Mr. McKenney: I assume the Town is protected somehow insurance wise?

Mr. Yost: Yeah you guys brought this up and Alan opined and I don't have it before me but he said Maryland State Law there is a couple cases in there that bars and restaurants and stuff if they serve somebody and they go out and wreck, destroy property or kill themselves or somebody else that person is not liable that actually sold the alcohol.

Mr. McKenney: Ok nor is the Town.

Mr. Yost: Right.

Mr. McKenney: Yeah nor is the Town because it's a Town event.

Mr. Yost: Right exactly.

Mr. Behrend: That is a concern I had, I remember Alan giving that opinion so I appreciate that.

Mr. Brown: I like the idea I think it would be great.

Mr. McKenney: I like it too I am cognizant of Kurt's concern and I was thinking I have been to some wine tasting things and it is hot and whatever but I have also been, they are also much larger events so it takes you like 20 minutes or a half hour to walk back to your car and you at least I don't know.

Mr. Pike: You could walk home in 20 minutes here.

Mr. McKenney: That is something you could do, encourage people to walk.

Ms. Micheals: Yeah on the posters we could say please consider walking.

Mr. Pike: For an extra ticket walk.

Mr. Behrend: I think the idea is a great idea I just have a concern with the alcohol in the park, I understand you are taking the measures to protect on it I understand that I just have a number of concerns but the overall idea is...

Mr. Pike: We are not going to vote on this right.

Mr. Behrend: We make a recommendation.

Mr. McKenney: I like it I am willing to say lets make a recommendation, see what happens, I mean everything is a step out and see what happens and see how it works and learn from there, I would hope and expect that it would be successful and work as planned and then each year build on it.

Mr. Behrend: I'll make a motion for the recommendation and move that we approve the request here from the CEDC and define a special zone for alcohol use within Whalen Commons to just the tent area only as established in their plan or by judgment of Town Manager as to where the best location should be, and with all volunteers following ALERT training.

Mr. McKenney: Motion has been made.

Mr. Pike: Oh I will second I am sorry.

Mr. McKenney: It has been moved and seconded, all those in favor signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Any opposition or abstentions, none, motion carries.

Ms. Micheals: Thank you very much.

Mr. Brown: Thank you.

Mr. McKenney: If you guys wouldn't mind I guess we have Tim too but we have asked this of other parties, when it is done come back and kind of give us feedback, let us know what you thought, what you found, and what we can do if anything to make it work better the next year.

Ms. Micheals: Ok.

Ms. Bupp: Thank you.

Mr. Brown: Too bad we can't do it sooner.

Mr. McKenney: Well that is what I was alluding to with the Chili Cook-off.

Mr. Behrend: For the record I am concerned on the alcohol. I know we have got it in the rules, I know we've got exceptions and I realize things are being taken, steps are being taken and I appreciate that I just have a lot of concerns.

Mr. Brown: Kurt if you wanted to put something in writing in terms of like from an expertise point of view on that.

Mr. Behrend: No I don't have any real expertise on it.

Mr. Brown: Well philosophical I am sure that it will be viewed in the proper light, we have the recommendation from the Parks Board but...

Mr. Behrend: I think my points are well known and well stated, I know Jerry goes perhaps a little further than my concerns but he has stated them before as well. You are aware of my points.

Mr. Brown: Yes so you will be well represented both from you and I talking here today as well as what Jerry thinks.

Mr. Behrend: I'm uncomfortable for a lot of reasons.

Mr. Yost: Well it will be interesting to see it go off and be happy to see it when it is done and everything is fine.

Mr. Behrend: And I hope it all goes well.

Mr. Pike: Well I think the first couple years of Poolesville Day they had a beer garden down on...

Mr. Behrend: It wasn't a beer garden I think there was somebody selling.

Mr. Pike: No, no there was a beer garden. I was on the committee I remember they had it and there was a big concern about that.

Mr. Yost: That is more of a family thing I would hate to see that happen on Poolesville Day.

Mr. Brown: Yeah that's not going to go there.

Mr. Pike: But it did the first year. I don't think it was a big hit a lot of people didn't go.

Old Business

Mr. McKenney: All right that was the Springfest item and Master Plan Review. It looks like Kurt is the only one who brought a marked up version here.

Mr. Pike: Can Jim do his report?

Mr. McKenney: No I forgot about the fact that you needed to get to the other meeting.

Mr. Brown: I don't want to --- but at the same time it is probably a good thing as a Parks Board Member for me to be there as well.

Mr. McKenney: Not a problem. Karen did you have anything else?

Ms. Micheals: (Inaudible) comments.

Mr. Pike: Do you have a comment?

Ms. Micheals: Do I have to come back up?

Mr. Yost: So Cathy can hear you.

Mr. McKenney: You will have to take a new number and start all over again.

Ms. Micheals: Karen Micheals 19723 Selby Avenue. I just wanted to say that the CEDC is also working on a newsletter that we are going to be distributing to the Town businesses and our first issue is coming out it is actually at the printer right, well the draft is at the printer, coming out for June, July, August and then it is going to be quarterly after that and when you have these big events coming in like the gentleman that was just here talking about that soccer tournament that businesses need to know about then we ought to consider putting that in the newsletter so I am going to try to stop the current version of the newsletter and try to get in there a little blurb about...

Mr. Yost: How often are you going to put your newsletter out because that is not until August?

Ms. Micheals: Its quarterly so it has to be in the current issue.

Mr. Pike: You are going to get a blurb in this issue?

Ms. Micheals: I am going to try to pull it back. Well I am at the stage of approving the proof so I can say no I don't approve the proof. So I just want to say whenever anybody approaches you if you could remember that to inform the businesses to let us know.

Mr. Yost: That is why Tim is our liaison to you.

Mr. Pike: And the Chamber.

Committee Reports

Mr. McKenney: Very good thank you. All right Jim fire away.

Mr. Brown: Yeah I hate to have to leave early.

Mr. Behrend: My apologies for being late, the airplane got in as fast as it could.

Mr. Brown: Right no worries and my report actually is pretty quick. So the Commissioners announced that they had received the petition, the referendum petition and really that was our only official announcement that it was received, there was not much else that was said during the meeting, we did talk a little bit about we had a presentation from George Coakley about the mock Planning Commission where the High School made 5 presentations and they were very well received I wish I had seen it and been there for part of it. And then Karen announced that she is promoting a that they are putting together a business newsletter, Wade announced that the street sweeping will take place on June 9 and then we adjourned to Executive Session to receive legal council on possible directions regarding this referendum petition. And I don't believe that we made it official but we are going to be making an announcement at the next Commissioners meeting assuming we have a couple more hurdles to reach but we are going to be making an announcement at that meeting to talk about the direction that the Town will be taking for the referendum petition, beyond that I can't say anything else. We had some huffy --- for the meeting courtesy of the Barnes' as well as Alain Briancon and Eddie and frankly Link cooler heads prevailed before it got too bad and Link just basically summoned our new Town Attorney Jay Gullo to basically give us the legal presentation of the direction that the petition could go and part of that legal description did include the fact that the Barnes' were pulling from different sections of the law in order to create what direction they thought the petition should go in and Jay did a nice job of summarizing what the actual law is and what the Charter says and then which set the tone for their future direction and we afterwards talked about ours, and that is all there is to it. Interesting meeting, interesting after meeting and wait until the next meeting.

Mr. Pike: I heard it was a very interesting meeting.

Mr. Brown: So anyway that was something else. So we are moving forward, the Town will hear about our direction at our next meeting.

Mr. Yost: June 21.

Mr. McKenney: Can you discuss or add any color with respect to our recommendation for power and cameras, I don't think we talked about that right that was after our last meeting and before this one right ok.

Mr. Brown: There is no --- for direction but beyond what I mean the Town did decide to go in the direction of electricity that has been part of what we are doing right now out there and then there was debate obviously about the cameras and trying to build the cameras into not only to where the park is right now but where the future cameras could be in all the parks and I mean there was some adamant opposition to that and I really can't go over the reasons why.

Mr. Yost: I think also Link was adamant against it because he thought...

Mr. Pike: The kids would be watching themselves on the Internet.

Mr. Yost: Well they didn't like that idea.

Mr. Brown: They thought it was a frill versus a security issue. I was not, I was never going to lose the battle for electricity that just didn't make sense.

Mr. Yost: We shut it all down and came back --- basically $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way there.

Mr. McKenney: Regardless it still doesn't make sense not to put power in there.

Mr. Pike: Which park is vandalized the most?

Mr. Yost: They go back and forth from the Stevens Concessions to the Halmos Concessions.

Mr. Pike: Ok maybe we should while we have power there...

Mr. Brown: The Commissioners that were in opposition felt like between the security fence that the camera was potentially going to be overkill, was a frill and was going to be used for more for look at me on the web versus trying to make sure (inaudible). There was a anti-mode in place that night no matter what.

Mr. McKenney: I would have liked to get to that meeting just to present my, our discussion as well as mine as an individual.

Mr. Brown: We did a good...

Mr. McKenney: Oh I am sure you did, it would have been helpful just to have...

Multiple Conversations Taking Place

Mr. McKenney: It sounds like he ganged up on you.

Mr. Brown: Wade and I did a good spin of our view on it, I think it was well presented, I'm surprised that Link came up like he did on it and once it became obvious that Link was going to be, was teetering or was not supporting than obviously the other two votes that were --- and then we went into salvage mode after that versus (inaudible).

Mr. Pike: But they know the money is coming from the insurance.

Mr. Yost: Definitely.

Mr. Brown: And that was probably another part of the problem that night that we were having budget discussions and we were in the hole and this was like ok that was deemed a thrill and we are in the hole so why are we talking that and once Link rolled it went to another direction, that surprised us but actually he comes through in a lot of ways, it just kind of surprised me that that was the direction he went that night, so don't know why, still don't know why to be honest with you, he made a case but I don't believe it, I don't agree with it either but that is why we vote.

Mr. McKenney: Well we know the technology and the capability of doing it at either that park or Stevens Park or Halmos is there, it is only going to get better or only going to get cheaper so and personally I think that there will be a proper time and place in the future to bring it back up again and we will then.

Mr. Pike: And maybe some chumps will jump over the fence and do something and we say hey...

Mr. Brown: Well I hate to say it but what is going to end up happening is we are going to run into either a pretty big vandalism situation or somebody potentially getting hurt and that may be what propels us there is potentially a different makeup on the Commissioners...

Mr. Behrend: Every 2 years.

Mr. Brown: Right as of this fall.

Mr. Pike: Who is up?

Mr. Brown: Me and Lori.

Mr. Pike: I'll be your campaign manager.

Mr. McKenney: I think we as individuals and a Board can sleep well at night we had the best intentions of trying to do what we think is right.

Mr. Yost: Because I'll be the one getting the phone calls at night.

Mr. McKenney: Exactly.

Mr. Pike: I think the skatepark is going to be used at night.

Mr. Brown: Me too that is all I've heard, kids are yelling at me when I am driving down the road when it is opening. I'm like it's opening soon.

Mr. Behrend: I hope it all goes well but I can see issues developing that we have talked about in the past. We've brought you these arguments and you have got to get going, may I make one suggestion that I think while you are here so we are still official. Do we have to go over the Master Plan Review Mr. Chairman tonight?

Mr. Pike: Well we'll only have 3 here.

Mr. Behrend: We've got to go through that and may I suggest we adjourn to a work session and make a recommendation forth from that work session with email.

Mr. Yost: The Planning Commission is going to put together a survey using the same survey questions that we used last time we did the Master Plan, doing an online type version this time, they want to use the same questions, only change a few of the questions to whatever you guys want as far as what do you want to know for transportation or park aspects, I put the email out, a couple came back from Doug and from Tim, there are only like 10 questions or whatever so a very short survey, so if there is anything it should probably be on Community Centers, anything like that you want to add in there.

Mr. Behrend: How are you going to adjust this so we know that its not Butch doesn't go more skateparks, more skateparks, more skateparks, just because he is not here.

Mr. Yost: Chuck Stump is actually a computer guy, he does surveys for his company all the time and somehow it sees the IP address and the person is going to have to put an address in or a code number.

Mr. Behrend: Ok I just wanted to make sure we have validity as you know my viewpoint on some of these surveys.

Mr. Brown: Have you seen Survey Monkey before because what it does is takes 3 communication points and they triangulate so that you don't get a chance to do something different like (inaudible).

Mr. Behrend: Tim broke it.

Mr. Brown: Even with me and all my email addresses it triangulates where your...

Mr. Behrend: And that is fine we have had disputes over survey results in the past.

Mr. Yost: That was the first thing we brought up. And we are thinking it might be more successful than a phone survey because everybody hates getting calls. They would have to log in to a link on our website to be able to access the survey.

Mr. Behrend: That's cool just a concern.

Mr. McKenney: And from the results of that survey then we can use that to drive what we want to put in the Master Plan.

Mr. Brown: So the end result is Wade that we need to still review the questions.

Mr. Yost: No more time to review, this survey will be completed next Wednesday and we are going forward.

Mr. McKenney: We are going to add what we got to add tonight.

Mr. Yost: So really just consensual ideas and then Chuck and I are putting the questions together.

Mr. Behrend: All right well since it is consensual ideas with final approval by Wade, I don't think we have to do it as a formal meeting point we can get Jim out of here.

Mr. Brown: All right thank you. I just want to see what they are up to I haven't been to the reconstituted PAA Board and they play such an important role in everything that goes on in the Town.

Adjournment

Mr. McKenney: I guess we will officially adjourn and then we will just continue with a Work Session, all in favor of adjournment signify yeah excuse me, seconded, all in favor signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Motion carries we are adjourned going into a Work Session.