

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
SYKESVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
September 24, 2020**

Present: Alex Ries Eric Valenstein
 Nick Sheets Bryan Troast

Jana Antrobus, Staff Liaison
Kerry Chaney, Town Clerk

Julie Della Maria, Downtown Sykesville Connection (DSC)

Absent: Billy Shifflett Chris Sevick
 Stacy Link, Council Liaison

Call to Order

Alex Ries, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion was made by Alex Ries and seconded by Bryan Troast to approve the August 27, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. Nick Sheets abstained; all others voted in favor.

Business

Julie Della Maria, DSC gave a presentation on the “Keep Sykesville Beautiful” Designation. The nonprofit organization, Keep America Beautiful, provides the expertise, programs, and resources to help people end littering, improve recycling, and beautify America’s communities. This designation will bring the Green Committee, Sykesville Public Works and SPARC together for the goal of ending littering, receive funding and apply for grants collectively instead of on their own. Together these groups will build a strategy and timeline to complete goals by working together and independently. Adminstrating policies are in the works as well as training from the Keep America Beautiful Organization. More information can be found at kab.org

Concerts

- September 25 beginning at 5:00 pm. Nick Sheets, Bryan Troast and Chris Sevick will setup.
- October 3 beginning at 5:00 pm. Bryan Troast, Nick Sheets and Alex Ries will setup.
- Nick Sheets will arrange payment for the band and pick up cash box from the Town Treasurer.
- Nick Sheets and Bryan Troast will paint social distancing circles for attendees.
- Eric Valenstein will update the yard signs with the correct information using vinyl tape.

October Movie

- Bryan Troast will pickup the new movie screen and test equipment next week. Eric Valenstein will coordinate with Bryan to choose a day and assist with testing.
- Ales Ries will post a movie survey to choose the movie and Eric Valenstein will post results to promote the event.
- Alex Ries and Bryan Troast will setup the event.

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Sykesville Cleanup Day October 10 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

- The chosen locations are Burkett Park and Oklahoma Road up from the Visitor's Center.
- Volunteers will receive a coupon for free popcorn during the evening's movie at Cooper Park. Staff will print the coupons.
- Staff will add event to the Town's website. Alex Ries will send the language for the post.
- Trash bags to be left at the entrance of Burkett Park and by the Visitor's Center. Staff will notify Public Works of the locations for trash bag pickup.

Annual Sykesville Cleanup Day will be the first Saturday after the official Earth Day date. The rain date will be schedule for the following Saturday.

2021 Farmer's Market attendance will be planned out in advance for the whole season. Add to a future agenda to discuss.

Adjournment

There being no other business, Alex Ries motioned and Nick Sheets second to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jana Antrobus, Staff Liaison