

## MINUTES

### Shepherdstown Parks & Recreation Committee

#### Special Meeting

May 6, 2021

6:00 p.m.

via Zoom

#### 1. Call to Order:

Meeting Called to Order at 6:08 PM.

Members Present: Cheryl Roberts, Jenny Haynes, Nick Tully, Lori Robertson, Marty Amerikaner, & Effie Kallas.

Members Absent: None.

Visitors: None.

#### 2. New Business

##### a. Report by Read Out in the Park Subcommittee - C. Roberts & E. Kallas.

i. Subcommittee reports that the name of program changed to, "Bookmark the Park". Idea is to encourage citizens to locate, utilize, and enjoy town parks with a good book. Program for 2021 tentatively set as follows:

Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 3:00 pm - Rumsey Park. **KICKOFF!** - A picnic/family friendly event. We will advertise that everyone bring a chair or blanket, stop by their favorite local vendor to pick-up a yummy snack or beverage, and come to Rumsey Park to relax with a good book. Suggested readings revolve around spring, gardening, nature, environment, natural sciences, etc.

Sunday, June 13, 2021 at 2:00 pm - Viola Devonshire Park. **BOOK SWAP** - A table will be set up for used books. Bring a book, leave a book, take a book. Suggested readings include all things that make June wonderful: Father's Day, Juneteenth, West Virginia Day, etc.

Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 11:00 am - (Venue TBA). **BOOK CLUBS** - Book Clubs from the Four Season's Bookstore and the Shepherdstown Public Library will be our focus as well as all things patriotic, Amerikaner, or historic.

Friday, August 20, 2021 at 5:30 pm - Cullison Park. **ADULTS NIGHT**  
- Billed as a quiet time for adults to enjoy a good read in the cool of the evening.

Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 2:00 pm - Bane Harris Park. **KIDS TIME PLAY AND READ** - Fun with books and friends are a natural at this kid friendly park.

Both the Public Library and Four Season's Bookstore have agreed to partner with, and help promote, this program.

We hope to create a logo which can be used on social media and an Instagram page for selfies of attendees.

**MOTION** to approve the "Bookmark the Park" program for 2021, made by Lori and second by Marty. Passed unanimously.

ii. The Shepherdstown Public Library will be hosting a program at Morgan Grove Park on Saturday, July 17, 2021 to present an update to the greater Shepherdstown Community about the new Library. This Commission has been asked to promote and partner. Ideas include inviting our "Bookmark the Park" followers to attend this event, setting up a display table/board publicizing "Bookmark the Park" program, and a presentation by our Commission's chairperson to read aloud at the event. E. Kallas will further communicate with the Library and present an update at our the next meeting.

3. Next Meeting May 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. – Location: TBD

4. Adjournment. **MOTION** by Marty and second by Lori to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

5. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Effie Kallas, Secretary

Approved by: Cheryl Roberts, Chairperson