

COMMISSIONERS OF RIDGELY
MAY 8, 2020
SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING



The Commissioners of Ridgely met on the above date at 2:00 pm in the Town Hall for a Special Workshop Meeting. The following were in attendance: President John Hurley, Commissioner Leonard John Buckle, Commissioner Anthony Casey, Clerk-Treasurer Stephanie Berkey, Director of Public Works David Crist, Chief of Police Gary Manos, Financial Assistant Gerald Sutton.

President Hurley opened the meeting.

The Commissioners engaged in a discussion about Governor Hogan's guidance on reopening parks and what the County is recommending, as well as what other municipalities have been doing with their parks. There are concerns about liability if we should open the park and someone was to get sick.

David Crist, Director of Public Works discussed his concerns with sanitation efforts. Bleach will destroy the pour in place playground flooring and it will be very tedious and time consuming to keep the playground equipment sanitized. We do not have enough personnel to keep things sanitized.

Chief Gary Manos expresses his concerns about policing the park and enforcing the social distancing that is necessary. The police receive many calls for problems at the skate park for people that are from out of the area when it is open and there is a lot of loitering that occurs there.

The Commissioners discussed these concerns. Commissioner Casey made a motion to keep everything closed but the tennis courts, 2nd Commissioner Buckle, all in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Stephanie L. Berkey, CMC
Clerk-Treasurer