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Calvert County Adopts Parks & Recreation Ordinance

Smoking, Vaping Banned in County Parks

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – Oct. 22, 2019 – The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners today voted to adopt a Calvert County Parks & Recreation Ordinance, which codifies the rules and regulations of county parks and recreation services and facilities.

The ordinance includes a new provision that prohibits smoking, vaping and use of tobacco products on all park property. Smoking is allowed only in designated outdoor areas adjacent to an indoor employee workplace and at Chesapeake Hills Golf Course in outdoor areas at least 100 feet from an indoor facility entrance.

In addition to smoking, vaping and tobacco, the Parks & Recreation Ordinance covers general provisions that set forth rules throughout the park system; hours of operation; traffic, vehicle and parking provisions to authorize traffic control and enforcement within county parks and establishes a speed limit of 10 miles per hour within park property unless otherwise posted. The ordinance also establishes areas where alcoholic beverages are permitted throughout the park system. Provisions on animals provide protections for natural wildlife and domesticated pets.

The ordinance can be viewed in its entirety by contacting the Department of Parks & Recreation at 410-535-1600, ext. 2224 or Shannon.Nazzal@calvertcountymd.gov. Ordinances

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