

physical development of the County. All plans for park areas shall be submitted to the Planning Commission for approval as to location, character and extent of proposed acquisition. AND SHALL THEREAFTER BE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WHO SHALL, BEFORE REACHING THEIR DECISION, HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING, NOTICE OF WHICH HAS APPEARED AT LEAST THREE TIMES IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE HEARING IN A NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED AT LEAST WEEKLY IN HOWARD COUNTY. The Board is authorized to supervise the expenditure of funds. It shall have the power to appoint advisory committees or panels to assist in the exercise of its powers and functions.

(d) The Board, with the approval of the County Commissioners, may accept real and personal property of all kinds suitable for public parks. The County Commissioners shall ~~pay over to~~ DIRECT THE TREASURER OF THE COUNTY TO DEPOSIT IN AN ACCOUNT TO THE BENEFIT OF the Park Board the ~~Park and Watershed Facilities Fund to purchase land, construct improvements, and defray expenses for the maintenance of park areas under the control of the Board and for the support of park programs.~~ ALL FUNDS HELD BY THE COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUISITION OF PARK LANDS, INCLUDING THOSE FUNDS WHICH WERE ACQUIRED FROM THE SALE OF BONDS DESIGNATED FOR SUCH PURPOSE OR FUNDS WHICH WERE DESIGNATED AS THE PARK AND WATERSHED FACILITIES FUND. The acquisition of property, with the approval of the County Commissioners, AFTER APPROVAL OF PARK AREAS AS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (C) HEREIN, may be by purchase, condemnation, grant, gift, bequest, devise, or lease of the fee or any lesser interest, development right, easement, assignment, covenant or other contractual right necessary for park programs. The Board, with the approval of the County Commissioners, shall have the power to sell or in any manner dispose of said park properties.

(e) The Board, subject to budgetary policies and appropriations of the County Commissioners, is authorized to develop, equip, operate, maintain, and issue permits for the use of any facilities made available to the Board for park programs.

(f) The control of any land, buildings or other acceptable facilities shall be in accord with agreements reached between the Board and the person, corporation or agency having jurisdiction over such properties. No power or authority conferred by this section shall be construed to abridge or limit the power of the County Commissioners, the Board of Education, or of any government agency, or of any person or corporation, to refuse to permit or limit the use of any ground, building or facility under their control, ownership or jurisdiction.

(g) The Board shall employ a Director of Parks who shall serve at its pleasure and who shall be an ~~ex officio member of the Board~~ at a salary to be determined by the Board, but such salary to be subject to the approval of the County Commissioners. The Board shall also appoint a legal counsel, who shall serve at its will, at a salary to be determined by the Board, but such salary to be subject to the approval of the County Commissioners. The Director shall be a person with the capacity to initiate and maintain a park program