

# PRINCE WILLIAM

—Parks, Recreation & Tourism

## Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

### COMMISSION MEMBERS

Brodie Freer, Chair, Occoquan District  
Christian Thom, At Large Member  
Erica Tredinnick, Brentsville District  
Jane Beyer, Coles District  
Jeff Bergman, Vice Chair, Gainesville District  
Nate Murphy, Neabsco District  
David Miles, Potomac District  
Sharon Richardson, Woodbridge District

July 20, 2022

### Commission Members Present

Brodie Freer  
Jeff Bergman  
Jane Beyer  
Nate Murphy  
Sharon Richardson  
Christian Thom

### Staff Present

Frances Bridges  
Brendon Hanafin  
John Blevins  
Amir Wenrich  
Kevin Costello  
Herb Williams

### Commission Members Absent

David Miles  
Erica Tredinnick

### Guests

None

### Secretary

Shannon Jaenicke

At 7:05 p.m. Brodie Freer called the regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission to order. Brendon Hanafin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### Administrative Items

**Res. No. 22- 15** Approve the minutes of June 15, 2022, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. **APPROVED (JBg:SR, Unanimous, Absent from Vote: NM, Absent from Meeting: DM, ET)**

### Citizens Time

None

### Presentations

Doves Landing Master Plan - Brendon Hanafin shared a recap of the second meeting for public input into the Doves Landing Masterplan. 115 people attended in person and virtually. The Park is being remaster-planned after the addition of the new acreage at Sinclair Mill and Long Branch. The new acreage is already under conservation easement, and there is a lot of support for putting the original acreage under conservation easement as well. This would require Board of County Supervisor approval. [PowerPoint presentation available from Secretary].

### New Business

**Res. No. 22-16** Recommend the FY23 Arts Grants disbursement to the Board of County Supervisors as recommended by the Arts Grants Panel. **APPROVED (CT: JB, Unanimous, Absent from Meeting: DM, ET).**

### Committee Reports

Mr. Murphy of the Nominating Committee reported the officer nominations for the Parks and Recreation Commission were received as follows:

**Chair:** Brodie Freer

**Vice Chair:** Jeff Bergman

**Secretary:** Christian Thom and Shannon Jaenicke

No additional nominations for Chair were received from the floor. Nominations were closed.

**Res. No. 22-17** Appoint Brodie Freer as Chair of the PWC Parks and Recreation Commission for a one-year term **MOTION: Murphy SECOND: Thom APPROVED Unanimous; Absent from Meeting- Miles, Tredinnick**

No additional nominations for Vice Chair were received from the floor. Nominations were closed.

**Res. No. 22-18** Appoint Jeff Bergman as Vice Chair of the PWC Parks and Recreation Commission for a one-year term **MOTION: Murphy SECOND: Richardson Unanimous; Absent from Meeting- Miles, Tredinnick**

No additional nominations for Secretary were received from the floor. Christian Thom declined his nomination for Secretary and the members accepted without objection. Nominations were closed.

**Res. No. 22-19** Appoint Shannon Jaenicke as Secretary of the Parks and Recreation Commission for a one-year term **MOTION: Richardson SECOND: Bergman Unanimous; Absent from Meeting- Miles, Tredinnick)**

### **Old Business**

None

### **Director Time**

Frances Bridges, on behalf of the Director, provided the following updates:

- Kevin Costello, Tourism Administrator started June 27
- Tourism Office was awarded \$10,000 Tourism Drive 2.0 Grant for research and development efforts to spur economic activity for local businesses
- Excellent turn out for Patriots Day Fireworks at Catharpin Park
- The second round of Maintenance and Operations Chief Interviews will be held in early August.
- DPRT Budget Congress will be held August 24. The Commission is welcome to observe.
- The Parks Foundation reelected Ruth Anderson for Chair at their Annual Meeting earlier this month.
- The Parks Foundation has endorsed the development of two capital campaigns in support of a Bicycle Pump Track at Rollins Ford Park and a Comfort Station at Neabsco Regional Park

**Commissioners Time**

- Mr. Thom Congratulated Mr. Freer on his reelection and thanked him for his past and future leadership. Recognized staff for a well-run Master Plan meeting last week.
- Ms. Beyer Congratulated all the officers elected tonight. Thanked staff for the Master Plan meeting, she felt citizens were very engaged and the meeting was very efficient. She recognized Ruth Anderson for the work she is doing to move the Park Foundation forward and hopes the Foundation Board will join the Commission on the September Bus Tour.
- Mr. Bergman Reported that the July 1<sup>st</sup> Patriot event was fabulous and thanked staff for the well-organized efforts. He congratulated all of the officers elected tonight and has enjoys the efforts and dedication of this Commission.
- Mr. Murphy Welcomed Kevin Costello and Frances Bridges. He was pleased that Historic Preservation Foundation was awarded \$10,000 for Thoroughfare Cemetery Preservation; Congratulations to the officers elected this evening; He attended the Doves Master Plan pubic meeting and thanked Brendon Hanafin for his professionalism throughout the master plan process; recommended looking into vacant land next to Marumsco Plaza for a potential site for another Wellness Park.
- Ms. Richardson Commended staff for all they continue to do. Raised a concern of a Woodbridge constituent related to bicycle access to a pedestrian bridge over Route 1.
- Mr. Freer Thanked the Commissioners for reelecting him tonight, there are a lot of good things happening and the Commission has never been stronger.

**Closed Session** None.

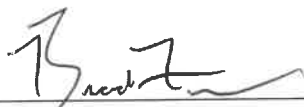
**Adjournment**

**Res. No. 22- 20**

*There being no further business to come before the Commission, at 8:20 p.m., the meeting was ADJOURNED. **APPROVED (JB:CT, Unanimous, Absent DM, ET)***

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be held on August 17, 2022, at the Hellwig Park Administration Building.

Minutes **APPROVED** at Parks and Recreation Commission meeting held on August 17, 2022.

  
Brodie Freer, Chair



Seth Hendler-Voss, Director



Shannon Jaenicke, Secretary

**MOTION: THOM**

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**SECOND: BEYER**

**RE: RECOMMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 ARTS GRANT DISBURSEMENTS TO THE PRINCE WILLIAM BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ARTS GRANT PANEL**

**ACTION: APPROVED**

**WHEREAS**, §15.2-953 of the Code of Virginia authorizes the Prince William Board of County Supervisors (BOCS) to make appropriations of public funds to charitable institutions that serve residents of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the BOCS budgeted and appropriated \$193,000 in the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget for the Arts Grant program, which provides programming and operational support for non-profit arts organizations that serve Prince William County residents; and

**WHEREAS**, grants are awarded in conformance with the Arts Grant Policy, which was adopted by the BOCS on March 13, 2018 (BOCS RES. No 18-144); and

**WHEREAS**, on April 20, 2022, the Parks and Recreation Commission appointed an Arts Grant Panel to review Arts Grant applications and recommend fund disbursement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism staff facilitated a mandatory grant application workshop and received fourteen (14) grant applications from eligible organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, four (4) of the applicants failed to meet the application requirements as stated in the Arts Grant Panel policies and were rejected by the Arts Grant Panel; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arts Grant Panel recommends the approval of ten (10) applications for funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism staff confirms that the grant policy was followed and concurs with the disbursement of the FY23 Arts Grants;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William County Parks and Recreation Commission does hereby recommend the FY23 Arts Grants disbursement to the Board of County Supervisors as follows:

Recipient	Amount Awarded	% of total available funds
Art Factory (Center for the Arts)	\$48,250.00	25
Creative and Perf Arts Center (CAPCA)	\$2,338.00	1.211
Lake Ridge Chorale	\$3,747.00	1.941
Manassas Chorale	\$13,664.00	7.079
Manassas Symphony Orchestra	\$3,849.00	1.994
New Dominion Choraliers	\$1,301.00	0.674
Prince William Little Theatre	\$982.00	0.508

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TEMA Choir	\$1,500.00	0.777
Woodbridge Dance Company	\$4,005.00	2.075
Excelsior Voices	\$1,000.00	0.518
Total funding	\$80,636	41.777%

**Votes:**

**Ayes: Bergman, Beyer, Freer, Murphy, Thom, Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Absent from Vote: None**

**Absent from Meeting: Miles, Tredinnick**

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_



Secretary to the Commission