

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
Selonia Miles, Potomac District
Sharon Richardson, Woodbridge District

January 18, 2023

George Hellwig Administrative Bldg. Board Room
14420 Bristow Rd. Manassas, VA

Commission Members Present

Brodie Freer
Jeff Bergman
Jane Beyer
Selonia Miles
Nate Murphy
Sharon Richardson
Christian Thom
Erica Tredinnick

Staff Present

Kevin Costello
Leslie Pope
Amarjit Riat
Frances Bridges
John Blevins
Eugene Loew
Amir Wenrich
Todd Reid
Rob Orrison

Commission Members Absent

None

Guests

Taylor Adams

Secretary

Shannon Jaenicke

Call to Order

At 7:00 p.m. Brodie Freer called the regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission to order. Sharon Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Administrative Items

Res. No. 23-01

Approve the minutes of December 14, 2022, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. **APPROVED (JB:ET, Unanimous)**

Citizens Time

No citizens were in attendance.

Presentations

Solheim Cup – Taylor Adams, Sr. Manager, Tournament Properties – LPGA presented an update to the Commission on the September 2024 Solheim Cup, the premier event of the LPGA and Ladies European Tour. The Solheim Cup will be held at the Robert Trent Jones Golf Course in Gainesville. The estimated attendance of 145,000, which exceeds the 2021 event in Toledo by about 10,000. The economic impact of the Toledo event was \$40 m. Tickets will begin at \$35.00 and will go on sale in April [PowerPoint available from Secretary to the Commission]

Kevin Costello, Tourism Director, shared that the Office of Tourism has been invited to set up a welcome center at the 2023 Solheim Cup in Spain. This is expected to entice European followers of the LPGA to come to Prince William County in 2024, as well as assist our staff in planning for the event.

Website Updates - Leslie Pope, Business Services, updated the Commission on the updated Registrations web page. The new site offers features such as online outdoor pavilion rental, ticketed event sales without registration, online fitness center pass sales and access to tax receipts online. Additional upgrades in the pipeline include the sale of waterpark admissions and gift certificates online, as well as indoor facility rentals.

Capital Projects - Amarjit Riat, Capital Projects and Planning Division Chief reviewed the status of our CIP projects. Schedules and budget were reviewed for the CIP projects as well as a few of the high profile CMP projects. Mr. Riat offered to meet on site at any of the projects for tours and more information. He also shared that the GIS driven Project Mapper online is under reconstruction and once complete will be a great source for up-to-date project information. [PowerPoint Presentation available from the Secretary to the Commission]

A few highlights:

- Rollins Ford playground is planned for install in April.
- The Catharpin Auxiliary Bldg. in Phase II is 100 percent complete.
- The Kyle Wilson memorial rock at Catharpin will be relocated to the Phase II Aux Bldg area with surrounding landscaping.
- Powell's Creek Pedestrian Crossing RFP for engineering and design is being prepared. This is one of the 2019 Bond Projects
- Broad Run replacement bridge is at 65 percent design, requires Federal approvals.
- Occoquan Greenway Bridge construction will be completed by April 2023, Segment- 2 AE firm selected for design, Segment- 4 is in permitting, Segment 6 is 50% design complete, Segment 8 DOT negotiating with AE firm.
- Featherston segment of PHNST is shovel ready but requires state approvals; budget shortfall is \$2.6 million on this segment and a federal grant for the project is at risk for expiry. Seth is working with the Chair and Supervisors to identify sources of fund including ARPA and Bond money.
- Neabsco Creek crossing at Metz Wetlands boardwalk will be in construction this summer and will replace the current rustic crossing from the south terminal of the boardwalk to Neabsco Rd.
- Lake Ridge Marina Dock- this project has been bid twice and due to high bids will be redesigned and bid again. In order to build this project, it will need to be added to the CIP. In the meantime, life extending repairs have been made to the existing dock.
- Long Park Intersection – Transportation proffers were under consideration for this project. The new Gainesville Supervisor will decide if that is the project proceeds.
- Pat White Elevator project bid came in \$400,000 over budget and is being re-bid. The new bids will be opened in early Feb.
- ADA sidewalk improvements at Catharpin, Cloverdale and Veterans Park continue.
- Site plans have been submitted for the Howison Park Improvements. The design of this project was funded by the 2019 Bonds. Construction is slated to begin this July.
- The 2019 Bond funded Hellwig ATF fields design work will begin this February.
- We have 30 ARPA funded projects and all funds must be encumbered by Dec 1, 2024
- Chinn spa rebuild has begun this week.

Committee Reports

None

New Business

None

Old Business

None

Director Time

Seth Hendler-Voss provided the following updates:

- The Count Me In Scholarships opened and 50 have been awarded to date
- Deputy Director interviews are underway.
- Statements of Economic Interests are due Jan 31. \$250 Late filing penalty.
- BCC members are not considered county employees
- The BOCS approved the establishment of a Virginia 250 Anniversary Commission
- Budget season has begun, the CXO will unveil his CIP on Feb 7 and FY24 Budget on Feb 24. We don't know which of our initiatives will be included but after the proposed budget is revealed there will be an opportunity for advocacy while the Board determines their priorities.
- The BOCS approved the purchase (contingent on the successful rezoning) of 25 acres of the Kline Farm property for public recreation and open space. The Rezoning case is scheduled for Mar 14. Mr. Thom questioned other options for GMBL. Seth shared that the County will do everything possible to assist the City of Manassas and the league in finding a solution.

Commissioners Time

Ms. Tredinnick

Ms. Tredinnick thanked staff and Ms. Adams for tonight's presentations; she is very excited about the progress at Rollins Ford and looks forward to the upcoming meeting with staff and Supervisor Lawson to talk more about the project and other parks topics.

Mr. Thom

Mr. Thom appreciates the great presentations tonight and loved hearing about all of the projects. He was able to attend the Boardwalk lights and that they were awesome and the event well-orchestrated. He looks forward to their return.

Ms. Beyer

Ms. Beyer appreciates all the work that went into tonight's presentations and that the citizens will be very happy with the website updates. The Solheim Cup will be great bringing many new visitors to the County. She is following with interest the recent communications regarding concerns at Doves Landing.

Mr. Bergman

Mr. Bergman also appreciated tonight's presentations; he shared the election date for the vacant Gainesville BOCS seat is Feb 21; he inquired if all of the necessary Commissioner information for the new payroll system was complete. Staff will follow up to confirm.

- Ms. Miles Thanked staff for the presentations, as a golf fan she is very excited for the Solheim Cup event. She also enjoyed the Boardwalk Lights last month.
- Mr. Murphy Mr. Murphy is very happy to see the website updates and thanked staff for their work.
- Ms. Richardson Ms. Richardson thanked staff for the presentations and congratulated Seth on his article in NRPA magazine.
- Mr. Freer Appreciates everyone for their work and hopes the weather cooperates to move all the capital projects forward on schedule. He looks forward to a happy and productive year.

Closed Session None.

Adjournment

Res. No. 23-02

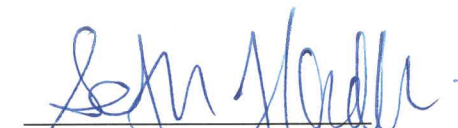
*There being no further business to come before the Commission, at 8:50 p.m., the meeting was ADJOURNED. **APPROVED (JB:SR, Unanimous)***

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be held on February 15, 2023, at the Hellwig Park Administration Building.

Minutes **APPROVED** at Parks and Recreation Commission meeting held on February 15, 2023.



Brodie Freer, Chair



Seth Hender-Voss, Director



Shannon Jaenicke, Secretary

SIGN-IN SHEET

January 18, 2023

Please Print Name / Address / Phone Number/ Email

Place a check mark beside your name if you wish to address the Commission. Please limit your comment to 3 minutes when speaking on your own behalf or 5 minutes if speaking on behalf of a group.

Name	Address	Phone #	Email
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