

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
Joseph George, Neabsco District
Selonia Miles, Potomac District
Sharon Richardson, Woodbridge District

November 15, 2023

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

Commission Members Present

Jeff Bergman
Jane Beyer
Brodie Freer
Joseph George
Sharon Richardson
Christian Thom
Erica Tredinnick

Staff Present

Janet Bartnik
John Blevins
Frances Bridges
Amir Wenrich
Todd Reid
Eugene Loew

Commission Members Absent

Selonia Miles

Guests

Nate Murphy

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. Joseph George led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Administrative Items

RES 23-21 Approve Minutes of September 23, 2023

RES 23-22 Approve Minutes of October 18, 2023

Citizens Time

Nate Murphy, former Neabsco District Parks and Recreation Commissioner, thanked the Commissioners for their efforts and cooperation during his 3 years of service.

Presentations

Seth Hendler Voss presented the FY25 Capital Project Budget initiatives. In total there are 17 projects on the list, total cost for all is \$34.0 M. DPR will have the opportunity to present these projects for consideration next month. It is difficult in the current economic climate to add new projects and only the most critical have the best chance of advancing. These 17 projects are not considered capital maintenance therefore DPR will need to continue to advocate for these until a funding mechanism can be identified.

- 1. Lake Ridge Park Cotton Mill Trail Development**
- 2. PHNST - Neabsco Creek (Metz) Wetland Preserve Boardwalk**
- 3. Rec Center Deferred Maintenance (identified in FCAs)**
- 4. Neabsco Creek ADA Parking to Boardwalk**

5. **SB Dale City Recreation Center Park Improvements**
6. **Locust Shade Maintenance Building**
7. **Cart Path Paving - both Forest Greens and PW**
8. **Long Park - Infrastructure (parking area maintenance; sewer line extension)**
9. **Tyler Elementary Community Use Site Field Improvements**
10. **Hellwig Admin Building Security**
11. **Additional Covered Equipment and Material Storage**
12. **Fuller Heights Park**
13. **Neabsco District Park**
14. **Valley View Complex (maintenance shop expansion, training facility)**
15. **Lake Ridge Marina Dock Replacement**
16. **Lake Ridge Marina Shell Trailer Storage**
17. **Neabsco Creek Kayak Launch**

[Project descriptions and estimates are available from the Secretary to the Commission]

Seth Hendler Voss presented the 2023 Strategic Plan accomplishments and the 2024 updates, which include two new Focus Areas, Safety and Security and Cultural and Environmental Resources, formerly one focus area for Safety and Environment. The Commissioners were invited to share input into the plan by November 30.

[Copy of the 2024 Strategic Plan is available from the Secretary to the Commission]

Committee Reports

None

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Director Time

Seth Hendler-Voss provided the following updates:

- Winter Walk of Lights at the Boardwalk begins Dec 1 and runs Fri, Sat, and Sun nights through Dec 23
- Save the Date for the DPR Holiday Party Dec 18 at 6pm at Cedar Run Brewery
- The Parks Foundation Annual Fundraiser will be Dec 11 at 630 pm at Cedar Run Brewer
- The BOCS has approved an MOU with the Friends of Horticultural Therapy to construct therapy gardens at Shenandoah Park.
- The BOCS also authorized an agreement with Kaboom! to partner on the funding and construction of a new playground at Fairmont Park.
- On Nove 28th, the BOCS will consider executing an Agreement with the Offeror for \$310,000 for a study period and preliminary engineering and Community Engagement outreach for the proposed Indoor Sports and Event Complex, and an agreement for a refundable deposit on the option to purchase a specific parcel of land in North Woodbridge for the facility. After the study period the BOCS will need to decide if the project advances.
- On December 7 there will be a ribbon cutting for the new bridge at Segment 3 of the Occoquan Greenway.

- The Cardinal Slide repair at Rollins Ford will be completed soon.
- DPR will meet with the Budget office in December to review the FY25 Budget initiatives. This will be the first indication of which ones might move forward in the next budget.

Commissioners Time

- Ms. Richardson Commended Staff on the development of the Strategic Plan.
- Mr. George Mr. George shared that the improvements at Leitch Park Basketball (fencing) and Cloverdale Park (ADA) have been well received and Supervisor Angry is planning a Ribbon Cutting at Cloverdale to celebrate in the Spring.
- Mr. Bergman Wished Ms. Tredinnick well in her new position on the school board. He also inquired as to when our accreditation is due to be renewed (2025). He is looking forward to the entrance improvements at Long Park.
- Ms. Beyer Thanked Staff for this evenings CIP And Strategic Plan presentations. She wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.
- Mr. Thom Apologized for the unexpected absence at last month's meeting.
- Ms. Tredinnick Ms. Tredinnick announced that tonight is her last meeting as the Brentsville District Commissioner. She thanked her fellow commissioners for the best experience on a commission and wished everyone well.
- Mr. Freer Thanked staff for the presentations and encouraged them to keep up the great work they are doing.

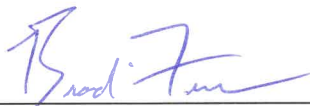
Closed Session None.

Adjournment

The meeting was ADJOURNED at 9:10 pm.

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be held on December 13, 2023, at the Hellwig Park Administration Building.

Minutes **APPROVED** at Parks and Recreation Commission meeting held on December 13, 2023.



Brodie Freer, Chair



Seth Hendler-Voss, Director



Shannon Jaenicke, Secretary

SIGN-IN SHEET
 November 15, 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
NATE MURPHY			