June 16, 2021

Commission Members Present
Brodie Freer
Jeff Bergman
Jane Beyer
Nate Murphy
Sharon Richardson
Christian Thom
Erica Tredinnick

Staff Present
Ann Marie Maher
Amir Wenrich
Audra Medve
Myla Neal
Todd Reid
Herb Williams
Jamie Orrison
Janet LaFleur
Trey Payne
Patti Pakkala
Ann Marie Maher

Commission Members Absent
David Miles

Secretary
Shannon Jaenicke

At 7:00 p.m. Brodie Freer called the regular meeting of the Prince William County Parks and Recreation Commission to order. Mr. Freer asked all to rise; Christian Thom led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Administrative Items
Res. No. 21-13 Approve the minutes of May 19, 2021, Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. APPROVED (CT:SR, Unanimous; Absent from Vote JB, Absent, DM).

Citizens Time
None

Committee Reports
An officer nominating Committee was selected. Mr. Murphy and Ms. Richardson will prepare the nominations for the July meeting. Nominations can be taken from the floor.

New Business
Res. No. 21-14 Recommend the FY22 Arts Grants Disbursements. APPROVED (SR: CT, Unanimous, Absent from Vote JB, Absent from Meeting: DM).

Presentation Items
Indigo Golf Partners—[Presentation is available from Secretary to Commission]

Old Business
None
**Director Time**

**Tourism**

Ann Marie Maher shared information about the upcoming Fox 5 Zip Trip in Gainesville on July 9th; a new Tourism Television Commercial “Open Spaces, Friendly Faces; a new Steins, Vines and Moonshine Trail passport program; and the upcoming July Tourism Advisory Board meeting and social event on July 28 at Uptown Alley in Manassas.

**Recreation**

Myla Neal shared that all of our pools are now open with the exception of Hammill Mill for a structural issue and SplashDown on Mondays/Tuesdays. We anticipate having enough lifeguards to open Splashdown 7 days a week beginning July 5.

Summer camps are at 83% capacity and rising. Both marinas are open.

The Dale City Rec Center and Chinn Center are back to full operating hours and reservations are no longer required for the fitness wings or lap swimming. Group fitness classes are still on a reservations system. The Pass sale has been extended through July and is helping to bring customers back to the facilities.

**Director**

Seth announced the resignation of Myla Neal, to go to Loudoun County and of Tiffany Johnson. In the meantime, We have a strong team to carry the load until we can recruit and fill the positions and we won’t have any service disruptions.

The first tranche of $46 m of American Recovery Act money has been received in the County. This funding will support a wide variety of COVID related recovery expenses, with fewer restrictions that the CARES ACT.

BMX USA will hold the Mid-Atlantic Nationals event at the Pfitzner stadium track in August with an estimated 5000 attendees.

A ribbon cutting event for the new playground at Catharpin Park will be held at 10:00 am on June 26.

**Planning and Projects**

Brendon shared updates on our Capital Maintenance Program (CMP). This year through belt tightening throughout all of our Parks Divisions we were able to save $2.0m and rather than turn back the funds, we were able to encumber almost all of this funding to schedule CMP projects. Amongst these projects: multiple basketball/tennis court resurfacing, completing paving at Hellwig Park, funding down week projects at Chinn and Dale City, shoring up the Ben Lomond Farmhouse, replacing Splashdown Beach Break deck, repairing slide towers and slides, a tree buffer at Rollins Ford Park, new roof at WaterWorks, Clubhouse repairs at Prince William Golf, and trail work. He wants to thank Amarjit Riat and Sandra Melgar for all of their work to encumber these projects on such a short timeline.
Sports Services
Trey Payne updated the status of Indoor Basketball play at PWCS gyms. Gyms have been reopened to indoor community use. Trey received clarification on the expectations for wearing masks, and when school is not in session the mask mandate does not apply.

Commissioners Time
Ms. Richardson
Inquiring about the status of future projects for Woodbridge District Parks, Ms. Richardson requested a copy of the playground replacement schedules and CMP/BFP lists. Seth shared that while our CMP/BFP has funded a lot of projects, we need strong advocacy for renovation of our neighborhood, community and regional parks as part of the 5-year CIP and not reliance on CMP funds for this purpose.

Mr. Murphy
Thanked staff for their ongoing efforts and accomplishments

Ms. Beyer
Thanked Indigo Golf staff for tonight’s informative presentation

Mr. Bergman
Soccer and Basketball seasons are going very well. He shared an invite to an opening night event at “Tacos and Tequila” on Dominion Drive in Gainesville on June 26.

Mr. Thom
Kudos to Tourism for all the cool stuff they have going on, and he is very happy to hear of all the exciting things happening with our pools and golf operations.

Ms. Tredinnick
Is enjoying seeing kids back in sports programming.

Mr. Freer
Shared his gratitude for staff and his fellow Commissioners for everything they do to keep us moving forward

All
The Commissioners thanked Myla Neal for her service and wished her well in her new position.

Closed Session
None.

Adjournment

Res. No. 21-14
There being no further business to come before the Commission, at 8:50 p.m., the meeting was ADJOURNED. APPROVED (ET:JB, Unanimous; Absent, DM).

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be held on July 21, 2021, at the Hellwig Park Administration Building.
Minutes **APPROVED** at Parks and Recreation Commission meeting held on July 21, 2021.

Brodie Freer, Chairman

Seth Hendler-Voss, Director

Shannon Jaenicke, Secretary
MOTION: RICHARDSON
SECOND: THOM
RE: RECOMMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 ARTS GRANT DISBURSEMENTS
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 2022 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, on February 17, 2021, 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 fifteen (15) grant applications from eligible organizations that represent the full spectrum of local arts - dance, theater, symphony, choral music and the visual arts; and

WHEREAS, the Arts Grant Panel recommends the approval of fourteen (14) 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 FY22 Arts Grants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William County Parks and Recreation Commission does hereby recommend the FY22 Arts Grants disbursement to the Board of County Supervisors as follows:

Asaph Dance Ensemble $19,778
Center for the Arts $51,467
Manassas Ballet Theater $51,467
Lake Ridge Chorale $6,274
Manassas Chorale $16,133
Manassas Symphony Orchestra $10,908
New Dominion Choraliers $3,385
Old Bridge Chamber Orchestra $3,783
Prince William Little Theatre $15,660
Shenandoah Sound $1,313
TEMA Choir $1,000
VA National Ballet $4,159
Woodbridge Dance Company $5,699
Woodbridge Flute Choir $1,974
Total funding $193,000
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Votes:
Ayes: Bergman, Freer, Murphy, Richardson, Thom, Tredinnick
Nays: None
Absent from Vote: Beyer
Absent from Meeting: Miles

ATTEST: 
Shannon L. Krambeck
Secretary to the Commission