

Prince William County
TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS COUNCIL

Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

Meeting Minutes
July 27, 2021; 6:30 pm

Attendance

| District | Appointee | Present (in person) | Present (virtual) | Absent |
|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------|
| At Large | Amy Latalladi-Fulton | ✓ | | |
| | Ed Dandar | ✓ | | |
| Brentsville | Tom Coyle | | | ✓ |
| | Liz Cronauer | ✓ | | |
| Coles | Mike DePue | | ✓ | |
| | VACANT | | | |
| Gainesville | Duane Martin | | | ✓ |
| | Ben Smith | ✓ | | |
| Neabsco | Aleta Daniels | | | ✓ |
| | Jason Williams | | | ✓ |
| Potomac | Chris Caseman | | | ✓ |
| | VACANT | | | |
| Occoquan | Eileen Sheridan | ✓ | | |
| | Neil Nelson | ✓ | | |
| Woodbridge | David Brickley | ✓ | | |
| | Lynda Silverstrand | ✓ | | |

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of June Meeting Minutes. Minutes of the June meeting were approved.

Administrative Items. Welcomed new member Liz Cronauer.

Citizens Time.

Joe Marshall. Interested in trails, connections. Rode bike to the meeting and noted lack of racks at Hellwig Building despite availability at sports fields.

Charlie Grymes. Also present.

County Agency Representatives' Time

PWC Parks, Recreation and Tourism. Robert Boyd.

DPRT – Brendon.

- The Warrior Course at Locust Shade has opened.
- Hoping to have a ribbon cutting for work that MORE is doing there in September.
- There is more time for input to the Mobility Chapter – presentation to the Planning Commission and Board of County Supervisors has been moved back to June 2022.

Dominion Valley Equestrian Trail – Patti Pakkala.

- Equestrian and pedestrian trails will be separated, except where they cross the stream.
- Trail will be connected with Waterfall Road, and they will look into extending as far as Route 15.

PWC Department of Planning. Connie Dalton.

- A lot of new cases – a lot of activity around data centers.
- Housing and Land Use chapters are current priority. They will drive development of the Mobility chapter.
- The Triangle Small Area Plan meeting with Supervisor Bailey's office is being rescheduled.

Transportation. George Phillips.

- Introduced new planner Allan Yu. Allen will be working on Mobility chapter and bike/ped issues.
- Rob attended the recent public meeting discussing the NEPA review of the Van Buren Road extension. Plans include a shared use path on one side and a sidewalk on the other.

P-1 Belmont Bay Development Review.

- Rob shared a presentation from the developer.
- Road diet has been proposed for Belmont Bay Dr with added bike lanes and parallel parking.
- Patti Pakkala noted that staff has not received the developer's application yet.
- Trail [a segment of PHNST] will be routed as close to the water as possible.
- One hand-carry boat launch is included near the science center. It is not close to parking and TBC consensus was that the location is not viable.
- Property rights issues (developer v. HOA) may complicate relocation of the kayak launch.
- Not enough public parking has been planned for the trail section and another large fitness park.

P-2 Draft Trail Crew Resolution.

- Would like to draft resolution requesting additional support for trail maintenance staff, budget, resources, etc., due to increased usage of Prince William County park facilities.
- There are currently no staff dedicated solely to trail maintenance.
- David suggested that we send a letter from the TBC to Seth Hendler-Voss rather than a resolution to the BOCS.

P-3 Capital Improvement Plan Trails Report.

- A list of current CIP projects can be found at: <https://parks-stuff.com/CapitalProjects/>
- Occoquan Greenway – site plan and building plan for the Hedges Run bridge are in final stages of review. Will go to bid in the fall.
- Broad Run Trail, Rocky Branch bridge – no-rise study has been completed. Flood plain impacts and 100% plan are expected by December.
- Neabsco Regional Park paddle launch at the north end of the boardwalk – site plan review is underway.
- New Landfill trail, ballfields to Hylton High School – natural surface trail is 90% complete and one of two bridges has been installed.
- Andrew Leitch Bridge replacement – finalizing scope, will begin new A&E design in August.
- Metz Boardwalk from south landing of the boardwalk to Neabsco Road– site plan and building permit are under review and expected to go to bid in November or December.

P-4 Aspirational Trails Review.

- David Brickley discussed some aspirational trails planning activities and recent meetings, and presented several large-format maps.
- These maps were developed by the National Parks Service consultant and the Greater Prince William Trails Coalition.
- Can be useful tools for presenting plans and proposals to Supervisors and other decisionmakers.
- Rob asked for input on how to improve maps and offered to help facilitate meetings.

Organization Representatives' Time

Greater Prince William Trails Coalition. Eileen Sheridan.

- Trying to maximize NPS consultants' time while they are still on contract.
- Next meeting will be in October. Agenda has not been set.

Prince William Trails & Streams Coalition. Neil Nelson.

- Next event is cleanup on September 11.
- A church group that has participated in past trail work on Hooes Run in Lake Ridge is planning some cleanups on the water in August.

Members' Time:

- David: Will be at Flight 93 site September 11. Kayaked on Lake Superior a couple of weeks ago. Leaving for Yosemite this weekend to hike the John Muir Trail.
- Lynda: There are tags on trees at Neabso Creek where they will be removed in order to place the Bandalong. Progress is being made.
- Amy: will send photos from Iceland hike.

Next meeting – August 24.

Adjourn Meeting adjourned at 8:36