

Prince William County
TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS COUNCIL

Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2026; 6:30 PM

(meeting postponed from Feb 24 due to conflict with DPR State of the Parks)

Attendance

District	Appointee	Present (in person)	Present (virtual)	Absent
At Large	Amy Latalladi-Fulton	✓		
	Bill McCarty			✓
Brentsville	Liz Cronauer	✓		
	Steve Cover	✓		
Coles	Mike DePue	✓		
	Joe Marshall (CHR)	✓		
Gainesville	Duane Martin	✓		
	Ken Johnson	✓		
Neabsco	Jason Williams (VCHR)	✓		
	Rich Wilson	✓		
Occoquan	Eileen Sheridan	✓		
	Neil Nelson (SEC)	✓		
Potomac	Jessie Citizen	✓		
	Kimberly Palacios	✓		
Woodbridge	David Brickley	✓		
	Lynda Silverstrand	✓		

Staff members present: Rob Boyd, Yolanda Hipski, Patti Pakkala, and Bryce Barrett

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Joe at 6:30 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Citizen's Time.

Martin Jeeter: thanks to Joe and Jason for attending the MIDCO meeting in February.

Charlie Grymes: Attended State of the County meeting, advocated for trail funding, invited BOCS to go for a hike (or horseback ride). Estimates \$1.3 billion total cost for Trail Master Plan; speak to BOCS, remind them of this investment opportunity.

Administrative:

- Minutes of the February 3, 2026 TBC meeting were approved (motion: Ken; 2nd Liz)
- Meeting notes of the February 18 PHNST subcommittee meeting were approved (motion: David; 2nd Eileen)

County Agency Representatives

PWC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR). Patti Pakkala

- Featherstone PHNST segment: may be completed in spring 2026; work may be delayed due to restrictions around eagle nest sites. Got funding for amenities like benches. After trail construction is finished within Featherstone, DPR will make the connection through the HOA to Featherston Rd. Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) 3rd rail project in that stretch, will try to get pedestrian crossing of tracks at Featherston Rd. Also looking at any potential impact of the 3rd rail line on the Jefferson Park trail connector.
- Neabsco Greenway: BOCS approved purchase of two properties that will fill gaps in the corridor. Will proceed with trail design and build. Funding from the 2019 bond.
- Davis Ford master plan: hike Sat Mar 21, 11:00 to 2:00. Parking is limited at the site; will shuttle from the stadium. Planning for 130 – 150 people. Proposing only passive recreation, but more than just a parking area and trails. Design charette later in spring.

PWC Transportation. Bryce Barrett

- working on three mobility plan alterations / CPAs: remove Manassas Battlefield bypass, Heathcote Blvd extension, remove Sudley Rd widening.
- Biking initiatives: will have another adult learn to ride class at county center during Bike Month, people are interested in it. Applying for DMV grants for safety initiatives and to get dedicated funding for classes. Will have bike rodeo at Bull Run Library in June and public safety expo in Oct.

PWC Planning, Yolanda Hipski

- Fettle Park study will lead to CPA / small area plan. East Coast Greenway and Rochambeau Rt pass through the study area.
- Sustainability and Resilience CPA CPA2024-00005 – last public meeting on March 4

Community Development Applications, Rob Boyd

- Destination Place Rezoning: Rob reported that the DPR comments are due on March 4. Some restrictive conditions related to trail development and location were removed from the proffer statement. David stated there were still issues with the proffer statement and proposed amendments to it, which were documented in TBC Resolution 26-5, attached. Motion: David; 2nd Mike.
- Villages at Broad Run: Planning Commission recommended approval; proffer includes some equestrian facilities.

Business Items:

- **PHNST Alignment Resolution.** TBC Resolution 26-4 (attached) was approved; motion David, 2nd Ken. Patti noted that this map does not include a future pedestrian crossing of the Occoquan at the rail bridge.
- **Bylaws Changes.** The proposed changes & updates to the TBC bylaws were approved; (motion Liz; 2nd Eileen).
- TBC Goals and Plans. Review and provide any input to Joe.
- TBC Logo. Joe noted that there is no TBC Logo; Patti said that PWC appointed boards / commissions do not have logos.

Presentations/Reports.

- **Countywide Trails Plan Update, Robert Boyd.** The appendix to the plan will include trail priority maps by district, and the list of 10 top recreational trails and top 10 mobility trails by district. Will also have full list, with some description of locations and distance. Will identify what we think can get done in next 10 years. Rob said the estimated costs are similar to those in Loudon County. David asked about NPS and DCR cost estimates, and Rob said they are close. Draft will be released to the TBC in two weeks, and on the agenda in March. Work session with Planning Commission in April, to the BOCS in late May. Slides attached.
- **County Budget Discussion.** Patti reported that the trail maintenance crew has been increased by two. Rob presented additional budget information – slides attached.
- **Blueways Time - Design Sketches for Launches, Robert Boyd.** Rob reviewed launch designs for accessible floating launch, and shoreline ramp type launch. Provide any comments to Rob.

Organization Representatives' Time

Greater Prince William Trails Coalition (GPWTC). Eileen attended a youth wellness conference and will participate in the senior resource fair on March 25 at Ben Lomond. Walk & Talk Wellness Campaign will take place in May, community services is getting other groups to coordinate their own events.

Prince William Trails & Streams Coalition (PWTSC). Neil Nelson

- Mar 2nd Sunday hike (Mar 8) will be at the Civil War Trust properties off of Brentsville Rd and bordering Broad Run
- March 7 – Neabsco Creek and Boardwalk cleanup, announcement and registration posted.
- March 28 – Marumsco Creek / Vet's Park cleanup, announcement and registration posted.

Mid Atlantic Off-Road Enthusiasts (MORE). Jason and Rick attended the MORE winter gathering on Feb 28. Jason received an award.

Parks Foundation. Will be holding fundraising events, supporting the kayak launches at Neabsco Boardwalk and Silver Lake Park, and adaptive recreation facility at Hellwig. Will hold events at the pump track with PWC Tourism office.

Members' Time:

- David –the stakeholder meeting on the Powells Creek crossing will be on March 4, 10% design review.
- Neil – pending work at the PWW pump station on Hoes Run may disrupt the trail, potentially after the new bridge is constructed.
- Mike – great job on getting Hylton properties for the Neabsco Greenway, it was a 20-year project, it's an achievement.

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- Duane – asked about plans for Doves Landing, and the equestrian trailer parking area near the cell tower. Patti said DPR is working on the Sinclair Mill side first, per BOCS directive (except for reroute of trail at water's edge on HOA property).
- Rich – showed video of him at indoor mountain bike park in Cleveland OH, 1.2 miles indoor track.
- Jason – expressed appreciation for the TBC and is glad to be part of it.
- Joe – he and Jason met with Seth to talk about year ahead and goals; Seth may attend quarterly. Jason and Joe presented at MIDCO meeting. He went cross country skiing in Maine.

Next meetings:

- March 4 Powell's Creek Crossing Stakeholders Meeting
- March 19-20 PHNST NVRC Meetings
- March 21 Davis Ford Park Master Plan Citizen Gathering
- March 24 T&BC Meeting
- March 30 FOIA Meeting

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm

Attachments:

- Trail Master Plan and budget update slides from Rob
- TBC Resolution 26-4 PHNST alignment
- TBC Resolution 26-5 Destination Place proffer statement