

Prince William County
TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS COUNCIL

Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2026; 6:30 PM

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: David Kroeger, Patti Pakkala, Seth Hendler-Voss, and Bryce Barrett.

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Citizen's Time.

Russell Bryant - The dedication of the new Revolutionary War Memorial at Williams Ordinary is on August 8.

Administrative:

- Minutes of the May 26 TBC meeting were approved (motion: Liz; 2nd Kimberly)

County Agency Representatives

PWC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR). David / Patti

- DPR Strategic Plan Update. Seth reviewed the areas that were modified based on TBC input. Will make sure trail standards are referenced in DCSM. Added a measurement for new trail development, and a plan for volunteer involvement. Developing a new volunteer agreement template for trail development with DPR taking over maintenance. Will be multi-use trails, mostly Tier 3, focusing on filling gaps. Target low hanging fruit and set goal of one mile (minimum) in first year.
- Powells Crossing Status. Working on 35% design, looking at the landing spots on both sides, and preliminary structural engineering. Geo/tech borings in the water are required and will be underway until Sep-Oct. Planning stakeholder meeting in the fall.
- Potomac Shores Trails. Staff site visit to Cockpit Pt Rd, identified three alternative routes to get from town center to Cockpit Pt Rd. Met with developer rep (Brian English) about trail connections and alignments. Site plan approved for connection from VRE to park property on Powells Creek, and moving forward with construction. Will have another meeting with developer, trying to get developer to do connection to Cockpit Pt Rd.
- Sinclair Mill Section of Dove's Landing. Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant application for \$1.85 mil ratified by BOCS. Funds for bridge will be on the on July 7 BOCS agenda – will get monetary donation. Stanley Martin will pay for site development including the bridge over Long Branch. Property to be dedicated by Sep.
- Belmont Bay Approved. Proffers include dedication of the old golf course minus small area for HOA community garden. Parkland will come with easement. Will start master plan in Aug or Sep.
- PHNST through or around USMC Museum. Opposition from current board of directors to route through the Museum grounds, but it's still in discussion. Alternate is Joplin Rd to Rt 1.
- Metz Wetland Progress. Bidding complete on phase 1 for 700 ft of boardwalk and bridge. Work to start in summer, seven months to complete. Will get additional funding to finish remaining sections.
- Rocky Branch Ribbon Cutting. Still waiting on inspections.
- Featherstone NWR. 800 ft of boardwalk completed, north bridge started, more boardwalk to be done after Aug 1. Complete in September.
- Jefferson Park Connector Trail. Still in design.

PWC Transportation. Bryce Barrett

- Neabsco Creek under I-95. Asked VDOT for status, waiting on response.
- Transportation Funding Working Group. Strategic plan working group looking at sources of mobility funds and County priorities. Kickoff meeting was held earlier in June. Joe will represent TBC, Patti represents DPR.
- General Updates. Awarded four out of five grant applications, for about \$325 million. And grant application with City of Manassas was awarded. For about 8.3 miles of shared use paths. Big success for PWC. Staff recommendations prepared for NVTa six-year program, formal adoption July 9.

PWC Planning.

- Looking to fill Yoland's position. Rob will continue to cover development reviews.

Community Development Applications. Patti

- Kettle Run applications – most approved. DPR gets parcels on Kettle Run and will secure trail easements. Developer-built trails will have easements for public access.

Business Items:

- Date of next PHNST Subcommittee Meeting, David Brickley. Scheduled for Wed, Aug 19 at 2:00 pm.

Presentations/Reports Robert Boyd.

- Low Hanging Fruit Planning Discussion, Joe Marshall. TBC members should identify their LHF projects. Will take six months to develop the agreement for volunteers to do work.
- Discovery Trail/Powell's Creek North Discussion, Joe Marshall. Joe has made contact with new officials at the landfill. Growth of grass and vegetation hides the boardwalk that goes under the bridge, maintenance needed. People are missing the trail route and walking across the road.
- Pathways 2035 Countywide Master Trails Draft Plan Discussion, Patti Pakkala. Get final comments in. Board adoption in September.

Organization Representatives' Time

Greater Prince William Trails Coalition (GPWTC). Quarterly meeting on June 25. Walk & Talk event on June 30th at Neabsco Boardwalk, 10:00 am; another one on July 1 at Chinn Park with PWCA at 9:00.

Prince William Trails & Streams Coalition (PWTSC).

- 2nd Sunday hike at Broad Run trail, July 12. Will check out new bridge on Rocky Branch.

Mid Atlantic Off-Road Enthusiasts (MORE). MORE hosting summer picnic at Locust Shade on June 27, 8:00 – 1:00. TBC members invited.

Parks Foundation. No report.

Members' Time:

- Liz –Bryce's announcements on funding, and DPR policy on volunteer trail development are big steps forward.
- Bill – wear safety vest while biking; should make it a county standard.
- Duane – equestrian competition in GW National Forest. Used Ride with GPS app; used trackers on riders on course as safety option.
- Rich – giving bicycle helmets to kids in neighborhood.
- Jason – working with Chief Reid on e-bike / e-moto policy. If it has pedals or pedal assistance it can be on trails (under 25 mph).
- David - thanks for parks update. Noted the former PWC commonwealth attorney Paul Ebert passed away. Sep 11 National Trail Alliance had memorial ride in June, went from Pentagon to three 9/11 sites.
- Neil – Easement for the extension of the Occoquan Greenway Trail will be on the BOCS agenda July 7.

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- Patti – PWC Schools will open high school tracks for walking, which has been allowed at some middle schools.
- Joe – was biking with e-bike in Des Moines.

Next meetings:

- July 10 items for TBC agenda due
- July 28 T&BC meeting, Jason to chair
- August 19 PHNST subcommittee

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Alternative Routes – Potomac Shores town center to Cockpit Pt Rd

