### PRINCE WILLIAM Parks, Recreation & Tourism

### Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

### **COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Jane Beyer, Coles District
Brodie Freer, Occoquan District
George Delimba, At Large Member
Brian Vargo, Brentsville District
Jeff Bergman, Gainesville District
Victoria Cole-Rolon, Neabsco District
Brenda Gardziel, Potomac District
Sharon Richardson, Woodbridge District

### April 10, 2019

Commission	<b>Members Present</b>	Staff Present

Jane Beyer Tracy Hannigan
Jeff Bergman Sally Wood
Victoria Cole-Rolon Kathy Pierce
Brenda Gardziel Myla Neal
Brodie Freer Dianne Wahl
Sharon Richardson Rob Orrison
Brian Vargo Ann Marie Maher

**Commission Members Absent** 

George Delimba

<u>Guests</u>

See Citizen Sign In Sheet

### **Secretary**

Shannon Jaenicke

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

### Administrative Items

**Res. No. 19-06** Approve the minutes of the March 20, 2019, Parks and Recreation

Commission meeting. APPROVED (BV: SR; Unanimous, Abstain; BG,

Absent; GD).

### Citizen's Time

### **Committee Reports**

Res. No. 19-07 Recommend the official name of the new regional park land complex at

15125 – 15520 Blackburn Road, Woodbridge, VA., as Neabsco Regional

Park. APPROVED (BF: BG; Unanimous, Absent; GD).

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

**Res. No. 19- 08** Recommend the name "Supervisor John D. Jenkins Field" for Little

League field #1 at the Turley Field Complex, Dale City, Virginia.

APPROVED (VC: BV; Unanimous, Absent; GD).

### **Presentation Items**

Office of Tourism – Ann Marie Maher, Director of the Office of Tourism (OT) provided an update on Tourism office activities, events and initiatives. Highlights include: OT was granted a \$10,000 Virginia Tourism "50 Years of Love" grant. The grant funds will be utilized in a "50 Reasons to Love Prince William County" campaign this summer. The week of May 5 through 11 has been proclaimed by the Board of County Supervisors as National Travel and Tourism Week. OT is very busy planning for the upcoming Tough Mudder event on June 1 - 2 as well as two Fox 5 "Zip Trip" broadcasts in Haymarket May 30 and Occoquan June 14. Many other activities and initiatives around Sports Tourism, Agri-Tourism, and signature events are in motion. Transit Occupancy Tax collection continues to outpace estimates and the County will have 5 additional hotel properties coming online in the next year. (Copy of handouts available from Parks and Recreation Commission Secretary).

### **Director Time**

<u>Seth Hendler - Voss</u> shared the following updates:

Budget Update- Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> was BOCS Budget Recap. The meeting went very well and April 23<sup>rd</sup> is Budget Mark up. Adoption is scheduled for April 30, 2019.

Freedom Aquatic and Fitness Center (FAFC) – The BOCS has approved a new Tripartite Agreement between the City of Manassas, George Mason and the County. Under the new agreement, the County is no longer financially obligated to the FAFC but maintains oversight through majority representation on the FAFC Advisory Board. Requests for funding will be considered through the County Community Partners Program. In FY20 FAFC has requested \$350,000 for deferred maintenance projects. PWC residents make 193,000 visits to the FAFC last year.

Bond Referendum – Projects for both Park and Transportation have been significantly narrowed down based on input from the district Supervisors. There will be a BOCS Bond work session on May 7<sup>th</sup>, everyone is strongly encouraged to attend the work session and any townhall opportunities when scheduled.

Comcast Cares Day and John D. Jenkins Park- On the morning of May 4<sup>th</sup> John D. Jenkins Park will be rededicated in conjunction with a service day at the park. A new temporary sign and a permanent memorial plaque will be revealed, along with park refurbishments.

Project Updates -

Rollins Ford is ready for bid. A design charette for the playground was held and valuable input received.

Catharpin Phase II is almost ready for bid.

VSA League Building Long Park – Construction documents are almost complete and DPRT is partnering with the league to cost share the replacement of 3 turf carpets at Long.

Hellwig Park – VDOT will install traffic lights at the park entrance but the project is about 12 months out.

Pfitzner Stadium RFI– None of the responses received were a good fit at this time. Staff continue to investigate alternative uses for with the Potomac Nationals leave.

### **Commissioners Time**

Ms. Beyer

Ms. Gardziel	Attended DTQ opening ceremonies, the weather was perfect and turn out very high. She was happy to hear that projects at Long Park and Catharpin are moving along.
Mr. Bergman	Looks forward to the "Lydia Grace Field" naming ceremony at Catharpin Park on April 27, 2019.
Mr. Freer	Announced the Lake Ridge Park Open House on Saturday April 13 from 10am to 3pm. Shared his well wishes for Mr. Delimba's recovery.
Mr. Vargo	Attended the Rollins Ford playground design charette and was very excited about the non-traditional designs. He is certain that this park is on the right track, as citizen input has been consistent and incorporated into the design. He also shared he will attend the Silver Lake Park "Eggs in the Park" event with his family this weekend.
Ms. Cole-Rolon	Ms. Cole-Rolon will also attend the Silver Lake "Eggs In The Park" event this weekend. She also shared her thanks to the Grounds staff for keeping the parks and grounds looking good.

League ceremony in the evening on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Shared that a very nice article about Park Director Seth Hendler-Voss was in the latest edition of NRPA's Parks and Recreation magazine. She also noted that due to a change in date the Opening Day Ceremony for Woodbridge Little League will be at the same time as the Coles Little

**Closed Session** 

None.

**Adjournment** 

Res No. 19-09

There being no further business to come before the Commission, at 8:45 p.m., the meeting was ADJOURNED. (APPROVED BG: BF; Unanimous,

Absent: GD)

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be held on May 15, 2019, at the Hellwig Park Administration Building.

Minutes **APPROVED** at Parks and Recreation Commission meeting held on May 15, 2019.

Jane Beyer, Chairman

Seth Hendler-Voss Director

Shannon Jaenicke Segretary



## Parks and Recreation Commission

### SIGN-IN SHEET

April 10, 2019

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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.

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