

**Fairfax County Park Authority
Board Meeting
October 13, 2016**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

Board Members:

William G. Bouie, Chairman
Ken Quincy, Vice Chair
Michael W. Thompson, Jr., Secretary
Mary Cortina, Treasurer
Walter Alcorn*
Maggie Godbold
Linwood Gorham
Timothy Hackman*
Faisal Khan (arrived at 8 p.m.)
Frank S. Vajda
Anthony J. Vellucci

Staff Present:

Kirk W. Kincannon, Director
Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO
Aimee Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD
Barbara Gorski
Judy Pedersen, PIO
David Bowden
Todd Johnson
Todd Brown
Barbara Nugent
Cindy Walsh
Janet Burns
Kevin Williams

Absent*

Guests: Edward R. Batten, Sr.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

ADMIN-1 Resolution Honoring Edward R. Batten, Sr. upon His Departure from the Park Authority Board

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the resolution honoring Edward R. Batten, Sr., upon his departure from the Park Authority Board; seconded by Mr. Vajda. The motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

ADMIN-2 Approval of Minutes of the September 28, 2016, Park Authority Board Meeting

Mr. Quincy made a motion to the minutes of the September 28, 2016, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

ACTION ITEMS

A-1 Idylwood Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Falls Church Kiwanis Little League ((Providence))

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Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant request from the Falls Church Kiwanis Little League in the amount of \$6,126.52 to install concrete pads on field 3 and replace fencing on field 2 at Idylwood Park; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

A-2 Green Spring Gardens Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Friends of Green Spring Gardens (Mason District)

Mr. Vajda made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from the Friends of Green Spring Gardens in the amount of \$20,000 to renovate the glasshouse at Green Spring Gardens Park; seconded by Ms. Cortina and Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

A-3 Grist Mill Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Gunston Soccer Club (Mount Vernon District)

Mr. Gorham made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from the Gunston Soccer Club in the amount of \$14,850 to convert field 6 to Bermuda grass at Grist Mill Park; seconded by Messrs. Quincy and Thompson. The motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

A-4 Bren Mar and Turkeycock Run Stream Valley Parks – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Overlook Foundation (Mason District)

Mr. Vajda made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request from the Overlook Foundation in the amount of \$7,200 to assist with controlling invasive plants at Bren Mar and Turkeycock Run Stream Valley Parks; seconded by Ms. Cortina and Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

A-5 Pine Ridge Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Annandale North Springfield Little League (Mason District)

Mr. Vajda made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from the Annandale North Springfield Little League in the amount of \$7,992.48 to replace the backstop fencing on field 1 at Pine Ridge Park; seconded by Ms. Cortina. The motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

A-6 Reallocation of Bond Project Fund Balance for Great Falls Grange Americans with Disabilities Act Improvements (Dranesville District)

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the reallocation of a project fund balance to increase construction funding for Americans with Disabilities Act Improvements at Great

Falls Grange Park; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

A-7 Capital Improvement Program (FY 2018 – FY 2022)

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the submission of the Capital Improvement Program (FY 2018 – FY 2022) to the County's Capital Improvement Program review team; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried unanimously the motion carried unanimously by those present; Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

INFORMATION ITEMS

I-1 Park Authority Board Meeting Schedule – January to December 2017

No action was necessary.

I-2 Energy Management Plan Update

No action was necessary.

CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

- Mr. Bouie thanked everyone for a great opening of the Pump Track at Lake Fairfax on Saturday, October 8. He thanked Barbara Nugent and everyone who came out to the opening. MORE is a very special group of people have given Parks over 2,000 volunteer hours and who build and maintain a lot of Parks' trails, especially bike trails.
- The Frying Pan Farm Park Fall Carnival begins Thursday evening, October 13, and runs through Sunday, October 16.
- On behalf of Mr. Khan, Mr. Bouie invited the board members to attend the DC Metro Cricket awards ceremony on Sunday, October 17, at 7:30 p.m. at Oak Marr Park cricket field.

He closed his remarks by thanking Mr. Batten and stating that they would continue to have great conversations as they move forward.

DIRECTOR'S MATTERS

- The Fitness and Wellness Section of the Park Authority has been working with INOVA by providing space at Audrey Moore RECenter to provide physical therapy by staff from INOVA and other wellness activities.

As we come to near the end of the first full year of a partnership with INOVA at Audrey Moore RECenter, we are happy to announce the numbers thus far. More than 822 visits were generated by the physical therapists through the end of September. This partnership truly provides a link to community health by providing those individuals who require PT by their

physicians to join us at our RECenter. Potential expansion is currently being discussed at other locations.

INOVA rents a small office and pays \$8 from each participant. The Fitness and Wellness Section is developing a package called "Next Steps" which will be presented to participants as they end their prescribed physical therapy sessions. It is our belief that some of those participants will join the RECenter and remain our customers!

- This year's Annual Tysons Open House is coming up on Wednesday, October 19, at 6:30 pm at the new BASIS Independent school (8000 Jones Branch Drive). The format of the event has been expanded to include food from local restaurants and live entertainment in addition to the usual county information booths and presentations by Tysons developers. The event is being hosted jointly by Fairfax County and the Tysons Partnership at a new and larger venue than has been used in the past. The hope is to attract a larger and broader segment of the population to learn about what the evolving Tysons has to offer. Park Planning staff will be there promoting urban parks and Park Board members are encouraged to attend.

BOARD MATTERS

- Mr. Vajda thanked the board on behalf of the Friends of Green Spring Gardens for approving the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant request.
- Mr. Vellucci reported that there will be Lake Accotink Park master plan workshop on October 27 at 7 p.m. at Kings Park Elementary School.

Watershed Clean-Up Day is Saturday, October 15, from 9-11:30 a.m. at various county centers and parks. If anyone is interested in visiting Royal Lake, Mr. Vellucci asked that they contact him and he would show them the dredging operation.

- Ms. Cortina thanked Park Authority staff, John Berlin in particular, for the events they organize, like the KidsFest. There were so many parents with their children that came into the FCPA tent and raved about our parks. She noted that she was there to give out bond information, but didn't need to be there because those people will go to the voting booth and vote for the Park Bond. They would love to see more playgrounds. They love Clemyjontri Park and want more playgrounds. Many had commented that they had been all over the world and had never seen parks like those of the Park Authority.

With regard to the Pump Track, Ms. Cortina said that she had gone there on Friday night. MORE had started work on the track on Monday and it was completed by Friday. The track is a lot of fun; doesn't take up a lot of space; provides activities for that in-between age; and keeps them into the park system. She commented if Parks could do more of these in certain places, it would be great.

She thanked Mr. Batten for all of his service to the board, to the Park Authority, and especially to the residents and young residents of Fairfax County.

- Mr. Thompson thanked Mr. Batten for being his friend, for helping him out, and for everything he did for Parks.

To continue in Mr. Batten's stead, Mr. Thompson encouraged the board members to continue to support the Park Foundation by recommending additions to the Foundation Board, and if the capacity is there to continue the giving.

- Mr. Quincy told Mr. Batten that he would be missed and wished him the best.

He commended Mr. Bowden and everyone for a great RECenter Study presentation for Supervisor Smyth. She was very impressed with the study.

The Providence District Volunteer Fest takes place on Saturday, October 22, this year. It encompasses a number of different activities which will take at several different locations including an equestrian demonstration at Oakton Community Park, a Sierra Club clean up at Scotts Run, and miniature golf for disadvantaged children at Jefferson District Park. This event is great for the Providence District and great for the community.

- Ms. Godbold reported that she finally got to go out to see the field of dreams in the Sully District. She has been having a lot of fun locating all the Sully parks and places that she didn't know existed. She is looking forward to the day that she can walk the parks without her cane placing the Park Bond signs out.

She stated that she misses her buddy (Mr. Batten) who sat next to her at the dais.

On Saturday, October 15, the Centreville Day Festival will be held at Historic Centreville Park. Ms. Godbold will be there to answer questions about the bond.

- Mr. Gorham wished Mr. Batten good luck and thanked him being his friend.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:56 p.m. Mr. Thompson made a motion to convene in closed session for

- a) Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(3).

Seconded by Ms. Cortina and approved by all members present, Messrs. Alcorn, Hackman, and Khan were absent.

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[Mr. Khan arrived at 8 p.m.]

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Thompson made a motion to certify that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Virginia Code 2.2-3712 and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board; seconded by Ms. Cortina and Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present; Messrs. Alcorn and Hackman were absent.

ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

C-1 Addition of Property Located in the Springfield District to the Work Plan

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the addition of property located in the Springfield District to the work plan; seconded by Ms. Cortina. The motion carried by all members present. Messrs. Alcorn and Hackman were absent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Bouie adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Michael W. Thompson, Jr., Secretary

Minutes Approved at Meeting
on October 26, 2016

Kirk W. Kincannon, Executive Director

Park Authority Board Minutes prepared by

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