

**Fairfax County Park Authority
Board Meeting
April 25, 2018**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 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
Linwood Gorham, Treasurer
Abena A. Aidoo, Ph.D.
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter
Maggie Godbold
Timothy Hackman
Ronald Kendall
Faisal Khan
Kiel Stone

Staff Present:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers were present.

Chairman Bouie welcomed two park and recreation students from George Mason University, Kevin Alley and Tyler Fannin.

Mr. Bouie explained that the meeting would not take very long as most of the work on the items being brought forward for a vote had been reviewed and discussed many times in committee and may have received public comment.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – April 11, 2018, Park Authority Board Meeting
Mr. Quincy made a motion to adopt the minutes of the April 11, 2018, Park Authority board meeting; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present.

ACTION ITEMS

A-1 Scope Approval – Larry Graves Park Field #1 – Synthetic Turf Installation Including Approval of the Synthetic Turf Field Agreement with the City of Falls Church (Providence District)

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the project scope to design, permit, and install synthetic turf and related work at Larry Graves Park Field #1 and approve the Synthetic Turf Field Agreement with the City of Falls Church; seconded by Messrs. Khan and Thompson. The motion carried by all members present.

A-2 Scope Approval – Replacement of the Tennis Courts Lighting System in Mason District Park (Mason District)

Mr. Kendall made a motion to approve the project scope to replace the tennis courts lighting system at Mason District Park; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present.

A-3 Scope Approval – Fred Crabtree Park Athletic Field Irrigation Systems Replacement (Hunter Mill District)

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the project scope to replace the athletic field irrigation systems at Fred Crabtree Park; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present.

A-4 Park Authority Strategic Plan Draft – Authorization to Publish for Public Comment

Mr. Hackman made a motion to authorize the publication of the Park Authority Strategic Plan Draft for public comment; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present.

INFORMATION ITEMS

I-1 Mount Vernon District RECenter Renovation and Expansion Design Update

No action was necessary.

I-2 Systemwide RECenter Sustainability Plan Update

No action was necessary.

CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS:

- Mr. Bouie stated that the crews have been very busy with a lot of downed trees and have done a tremendous job.
- He and Mr. Thompson will be attending what may be the next to the last meeting of the Sports Tourism Task Force on Thursday, April 26. The task force is wrapping up and will begin to come up with some recommendations that will be released sometime in the beginning of June. Bill added that the Park Board should be pleased with some of the recommendations and that the recommendations give the Park Board the impetus to move forward with some of the projects it has been looking for.

- At the April 11 meeting Mr. Bouie mentioned that in some of Parks' documents, 'resident' and 'citizens' appear. The board discussed the consideration of changing all incidents of the 'citizens' to 'resident'. Staff had changed a number of them those sightings prior to the board's discussion. In the Policy Manual there were 17 sightings, eight of which were in policies 106, 109, 202, 203, 204, 208, 302, and 403. The other nine sightings were in six of the appendices, three sightings which were not FCPA specific documents. And the Park Authority Bylaws also referenced 'citizens' once in Article VI – Meetings.

It was the consensus of the board to make the administrative changes to the Policy Manual including the bylaws.

DIRECTOR'S MATTERS:

- On Saturday, April 21, the Resident Curator Program staff hosted an open house for the historic Ash Grove property. Members of the Historic Sites Volunteer Corps (HSVC) were on site evaluating and cleaning the property's windows and recruited three new members.

Archaeology and Collections staff was on site and provided a display of artifacts found on the property, and Park Authority Board member Tim Hackman visited the event.

The Resident Curator Program's stakeholder list gained about thirty new contacts, which represents the lower estimate for total attendance. Applications for curatorship for the Ash Grove property are being accepted now through July 25, 2018.

- April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. To mark the event the Department of Family Services has collaborated with Green Spring Gardens to host a pinwheel garden. Last year the county's 15 libraries participated, along with the county courthouse, and the buildings in the Government Center complex.

With funds from the Virginia Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners at Green Spring, the pinwheel garden was installed in the Children's Garden at Green Spring Gardens on March 30 and will be on display for the month of April. Channel 16 captured the event in a 2.5-minute video that is available on Green Spring's homepage.

Staff was thrilled to help support this worthy cause and they look forward to strengthening the partnership with Department of Family Services in the years to come.

- Mr. Kincannon reported that over the years Parks has talked about the collaboration Parks has had with the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. Messrs. Kincannon and Patteson have worked together with staff and are in the final stages of the MOU that outlines all the things they are working on together related to the me/we programs, stream restorations, stormwater, and all those partnerships.

- Mr. Kincannon reminded the board that the agency is going through the accreditation process for CAPRA. There are 151 standards. The portion of the visit related to the board will take place on June 13. The FCPA Showcase and lunch with the Park Foundation and Friends Groups will be held in the Herrity Building rooms 106/107 at 12 – 2 p.m. That evening a reception will take place at Green Spring Gardens from 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Staff will be involved over a three-day period (June 12-14) working with the visitors. The visitors have the documents electronically and are performing their review. If they have any questions they will provide those in advance to Sara and the team prior to their arrival. They will be given a tour of the sites, meet the board members, talk to staff, the teams, and look at the organization as a whole.

The program typically is a five-day event, but since this is the third time Parks is going through accreditation it opted to do an abbreviated visit.

He thanked Ms. Baldwin and the CAPRA team for their awesome work and providing the documentation on time in March. Parks looks forward to its accreditation.

BOARD MATTERS

- Mr. Kendall had nothing to report.
- Mr. Hackman reported that he attended the National Park Services (NPS) land swap for Langley Forks Park. Less than 20 people attended but there was a lot of interest from the people in McLean and they were supportive of the alternative that was put forth. It falls in line with the master plan that was put on the shelf several years ago in anticipation of the land sway. Mr. Hackman extended kudos to NPS for its flexibility in helping to get Parks to this point.
- Mr. Stone had nothing to report.
- Dr. Aidoo had nothing to report.
- Mr. Gorham had nothing to report.
- Mr. Thompson thanked Judy Pedersen, Mr. Kincannon, and the whole team that came out for the Jack Nolan field naming. Mr. Nolan talked about all the things he had done and still has the framed resolution he received for his work for being on the Green Team years ago. Fifty-five or 60 people from the community came out for the event.

He inquired if it was still the intent to hold the board meeting on June 6, the CAPRA events on June 13. Mr. Bouie answered in the affirmative.

APPROVED AND SIGNED MAY 9, 2018

On Monday, April 30, at Lake Braddock Secondary School a Lake Accotink community meeting will be held by the Supervisors.

Mr. Bouie noted that the Board of Supervisors has put aside a separate line item for the cleanup of Lake Accotink for the 2019 Bond Referendum.

- Mr. Quincy offered kudos to Park Authority staff and volunteers for running a very successful Healthy Strides event at Burke Lake. It was well-attended. Some of the staff and volunteers even went to Sully for the SpringFest, doing double-duty.

Even though the Committee of the Whole went through Samantha Hudson's presentation rather quickly, Mr. Quincy extended kudos to Ms. Hudson for the work she and staff have done on the Strategic Plan. Messrs. Hackman and Quincy have worked with her and staff on a recurring basis and the work she has done is incredible. He is sure this will be brought to fruition successfully.

- Mr. Khan thanked Ms. Pedersen for coordinating a quick response to a resident that contacted him about a concern. Within hours he received a detailed response and was very happy and wasn't expecting such a quick response.

He thanked Mr. Bowden for meeting him at Oak Marr to make it easier for spectators.

- Dr. Carter reported that Trails for Youth is holding an opening/ribbon cutting ceremony at Brookfield Park for a pump track. She added that she will be unable to attend, but thanked Ms. Vosper for covering the event in her absence.
- Ms. Godbold expressed her gratitude for the perfect weather on Saturday, April 21, for SpringFest. The event was fantastic. People were coming in droves and there were plenty of things to do. Supervisor Cathy Smith read a proclamation. Ms. Godbold thanked the Park Authority for everything it did.

On April 24, she attended the Sully District Council of Citizen Associations meeting. She thanked Andy Galusha for being there and answering questions for about 1 ½ hours. On Tuesday, May 1, Ms. Godbold will be attending the Sully Foundation Annual Meeting.

In closing, she reminded everyone to get their awards nominations in for the Elly Doyle Park Service Awards event.

- Mr. Bouie added that he had a one-hour phone conversation earlier in the day with the United States Racquetball Association Board of Directors and the U.S. Olympic Committee talking about Parks' outdoor courts at Stratton Woods. They were very interested in how Parks we built them, maintain them, and fund them. He noted he gets questions from people all over the country about such a facility because it's a very rare facility. Parks is getting ready for a

pretty good-sized tournament in June. Thirty-five people from New York have signed up to come down. The tournament has a 110-person capacity.

On Friday, April 20, he had a call with two councilmen from Northville, Michigan, talking about Parks' Strategic Plan, how does this board work in putting together this plan as they grapple with what to do with an existing golf course that they may open to talking about developing. He steered them to the website to show them the golf study. The Park Authority is getting kudos from all over the place because of the work the board and staff does.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:52 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 Mr. Quincy and approved by all members present.

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 Mr. Quincy and approved by all members present.

ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

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

Mr. Thompson made a motion to add property located in the Mason District to the Work Plan; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Bouie adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

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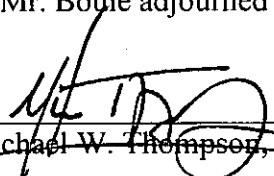
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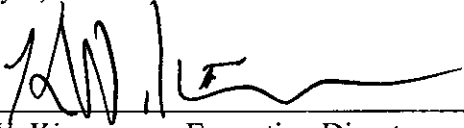
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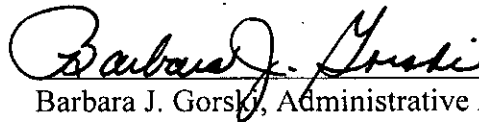
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Minutes Approved at Meeting
on May 9, 2018



Kirk W. Kincannon, Executive Director

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