FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY

BOARD AGENDA

May 8, 2019

7:30 PM PUBLIC COMMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

(CW) ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes - April 10, 2019, Park Authority Board Meeting

ACTION ITEMS

(MV)	A-1	Scope Approval – Laurel Hill Forest Restoration
(SP)	A-2	Approval – Burke Lake Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund
		Grant Program Request – Thomas and Elizabeth Chennikara
(HM)	A-3	Approval of the Naming of Trail 8 at Lake Fairfax Park as Marc Genberg
. ,		Trail

INFORMATION ITEM

(MV) I-1 Property Information – 8800 Richmond Highway – Sitnik/Sitco Inc. Properties

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ADMINISTRATIVE - 1

Adoption of Minutes - April 10, 2019, Park Authority Board Meeting

ISSUE:

Adoption of the minutes of the April 10, 2019, Park Authority Board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Executive Director recommends adoption of the minutes of the April 10, 2019, Park Authority Board meeting.

TIMING:

Board action is requested on May 8, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS:

Attachment 1: Minutes of the April 10, 2019, Park Authority Board Meeting

STAFF:

Kirk W. Kincannon, Executive Director Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD Barbara J. Gorski, Administrative Assistant

Fairfax County Park Authority Board Meeting April 10, 2019

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:32 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 James Zook

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
Mary Olien
Cindy McNeal
Laura Finks

Absent*

Guest: Corinne Lockett, County Attorney

PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers were present.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – March 27, 2019, Park Authority Board Meeting

Mr. Quincy made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 27, 2019, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

ACTION ITEMS

A-1 Reappointment of Lane Brooks to the Fairfax County Park Foundation

Dr. Carter made a motion to approve the reappointment of Lane Brooks to the Fairfax County Park Foundation Board; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

- A-2 Reappointment of Michael Gailliot to the Fairfax County Park Foundation

 Dr. Carter made a motion to approve the reappointment of Michael Gailliot to the Fairfax County Park Foundation Board; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.
- A-3 <u>Scope Approval Huntley Meadows Park Natural Area Preserve and Open Space</u> <u>Easement Implementation (Lee District)</u>

Dr. Carter made a motion to approve the project scope to implement a Natural Area Preserve dedication and Open Space Easement on eligible portions of Huntley Meadows Park; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

A-4 Resident Curator Program Infrastructure Program Improvements

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the proposed budget to provide infrastructure improvements at Barrett House, Lorton for the Resident Curator Program; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

The Committee of the Whole, which met prior to this board meeting, reviewed the park regulation items and recommended moving the items forward for action this evening.

A-5 Approval – Park Regulation §1.17 Update Regarding Unmanned Aircraft Systems
Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the suggested changes to Regulation§1.17
Remote-Control Devices and Powered Models or Toys to comply with Virginia Code §15.2-926.3; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present.

Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

The Park Regulation now states:

§1.17 Remote-Control Devices and Powered Models or Toys

No person shall operate hobby rockets, boats, cars or other like devices in a park except in areas designated by and with the express written permission of the Park Authority. This regulation does not apply to the use of any privately-owned, unmanned aircraft system as defined in Virginia Code §19.2-60.1.

A-6 Approval – Park Regulation §1.14 Update Regarding Electric Powered Bicycle Use in Parks

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve changes to the Park Regulation §1.14 Motor Vehicles and Traffic to comply with Virginia Code §10.1, §15.2, and §46.2, by inserting the following section:

E. <u>E-Bikes</u>. Electric power-assisted bicycles (e-bikes) equipped with pedals that allow propulsion by human power are considered bicycles and non-motorized vehicles for the purpose of these regulations and are allowed in the same places that traditional, pedal-powered only bicycles are allowed.

Seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

The Park Regulation now states:

§1.14 Motor Vehicles and Traffic

A. <u>Speed Limit Where None Is Posted</u>. Where no speed limit is posted, no person shall operate a motor vehicle within a park at a speed greater than 20 miles per hour.

B. Prohibited Vehicles.

- (1) No person shall operate within a park a motorized vehicle not licensed for regular use upon public highways, except that motorized carts furnished or approved by the Park Authority may be operated within designated areas and motorized wheelchairs may be operated in areas as provided for in §1.14(C) below.
- (2) No person shall operate within a park a farm tractor or other farm machinery or a type of vehicle used primarily for earth-moving operations, whether or not licensed for regular use upon public highways, without the express written permission of the Park Authority.
- (3) Mopeds are permitted only in areas where motor vehicles are permitted.
- C. <u>Motorized Wheelchairs and Assistive Devices</u>. Motorized wheelchairs and other motorized assistive devices for mobility impaired persons are permitted in all areas where pedestrian access is permitted, unless otherwise posted by the Park Authority.
- B. <u>Off-Road Vehicle Operation</u>. No person shall operate any type of motorized vehicle in areas of a park other than established roadways without the express written permission of the Park Authority except as noted in §1.14 (C) above.
- C. <u>E-Bikes</u>. Electric power-assisted bicycles (e-bikes) equipped with pedals that allow propulsion by human power are considered bicycles and non-motorized vehicles for the purpose of these regulations and are allowed in the same places that traditional, pedal-powered only bicycles are allowed.
- D. <u>Parking and Overnight Parking</u>. No person shall park a motor vehicle in areas of a park other than those designated by the Park Authority as parking areas. Motor vehicles may not be parked overnight in a park without the express written permission of the Park

Authority. Motor vehicles left over night in violation of this regulation may be ticketed and/or towed.

CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

- Mr. Bouie welcomed Cathy Ledec who had recently been named Fairfax County's Citizen of the Year. He thanked her for being a great supporter of Huntley Meadows and of Parks.
- Mr. Bouie is considering changing the committee structure so that all board members may participate in the discussions. He is hoping to change the structure similar to the way Board of Supervisors has structured its committees. Each committee would be a Committee of the Whole with a specified chair and vice chair, with exception of the Executive Committee.

A quorum is required for the committee to conduct business. The Committee would not take formal action, but would make a recommendation to move the item forward to the board for action or to defer action.

- On March 29, Mr. Bouie, Aimee Vosper, and Cathy Ledec met with the Friends of Historic Huntley to sign an MOU. It was a great event and he thanked everyone who worked on the MOU. The event was attended by the FOHH board.
- Mr. Bouie thanked Dave Bowden and Kirk Kincannon for the meeting with the Washington Capitals about a potential partnership similar to what Parks has with the Washington Nationals.
- Mr. Bouie attended the Leadership Fairfax Breakfast with the Board of Supervisors. The theme was 'Play Ball'. Each Board member had a sports analogy that they had to deal with and after signing a baseball had to attempt to throw it to the crowd.
- Little League Baseball season opened last week which means lights are on at the parks, and will be filled.
- Mr. Quincy, Mr. Stone, and Mr. Bouie will provide testimony at the Board of Supervisors' budget hearings on April 11.
- On Thursday, April 18, Mr. Stone and Mr. Bouie will participate in a Leadership Fairfax presentation on the importance and the equity of parks. They will be with Supervisor Herrity. This will be the third time he is working with them and advocating for Parks.
- As part of the Elly Doyle Awards Mr. Bouie would like to establish a Chairman's Choice Award to recognize outstanding long-term support, service to and advocacy on behalf of the Park Authority. This award honors those whose efforts have provided a critical contribution to the agency and helped sustain and expand its nationally-accredited facilities and programs.

The contributions of the recipient of this award must support the One Fairfax policy. He noted that he had distributed a paper on the award for the board's review.

Following a brief discussion, Mr. Quincy made a motion to establish the Chairman's Choice Award; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

DIRECTOR'S MATTERS

- For the seventh year the Park Authority will partner with Clean Fairfax to host Springfest, Fairfax County's Earth and Arbor Day festival on Saturday, April 27, at Sully Historic Site. The event provides the Park Authority an opportunity to showcase the program and services that promote the event's theme, Healthy People Healthy Planet. The Park Board is invited to join the Board of Supervisors on stage for Earth and Arbor Day proclamation at 12:15 p.m.
- The Park Authority Public Information Office has launched two new portals on the Park Authority's website in the past two weeks. The Park Information and Education portal offers Fast Facts about the Park Authority, infographics on a variety of topics, videos, and links to reports that provide a wealth of information about park facilities, programs and finances, as well as Board meetings and opportunities for comment. Materials can be printed from the site to provide quick information for use at community gatherings. The link to The Park Information and Education Portal is (https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/information-education).

The PVT portal explains the important role of PVTs and offers information about how to develop and implement a PVT in cooperation with the Park Authority. At the site, visitors also can find links to current PVT projects and volunteer opportunities. The link to the PVT Portal is (https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/park-volunteer-team).

BOARD MATTERS

- Mr. Khan was absent.
- Mr. Zook had nothing to report.
- Dr. Carter had nothing to report.
- Ms. Godbold thanked Dave Bowden and Paul Shirey for the great presentation to the public on Gabrielson Gardens Bridge design and funding. It was the most positive meeting she has attended.

She Aimee Vosper and others met with Dr. Barbara Frank who is spearheading an initiative to get grandparents and grandchildren outdoors away from their computers and their phones.

Parks will be working with them to get an information session to judge the desire for this program.

She noted she will be unable to attend the May meetings.

- Mr. Kendall spent last April 6 at Ossian Hall Park with the Nature Conservancy, park staff, and students doing a lot of clean up. He commended the Nature Conservancy for doing a number of cleanups this month in Fairfax County at roughly30 different sites. This is a relationship that we would like to see continue, so he is expecting the Park Authority to make sure it happens next year as well. Great progress was made at Ossian Hall.
- Mr. Hackman noted that the Bluebells are out and almost at peak bloom at Riverbend Park and at Bull Run and other local parks. The Bluebell Festival was last weekend-a dry day on the weekend. The one activity he really enjoyed is a canoe on the ground with some cutout fish with magnets on their noses. It was good to see little kids with their fishing poles. Thanks to Riverbend staff and to Mary Olien and others who were there.

The opening for the new outdoor education classroom/shelter will also take place on Saturday, April 27, at 10 a.m. so there will plenty of time to get to Sully for the Springfest/Poetry Contest.

• Mr. Stone thanked Judy Pedersen and John Stokely for their help with the comments he will provide during the budget hearings from April 11.

He stated that he would be interested in learning what fees Parks can charge. What revenue authority Parks has as a system that it is not taking advantage of currently.

- Dr. Aidoo had nothing to report.
- Mr. Gorham was absent.
- Mr. Thompson thanked staff for dealing with sports activities. As Mr. Bouie pointed out, all the fields are full.
- Mr. Quincy thanked Judy Pedersen for preparing his comments for the budget hearings.

On May 4 at 7:30 a.m. the Park Authority Healthy Strides 5K and 10K will take place at Burke Lake Park. One doesn't need to run, there are many walkers. This is a great event and family affair and is a Park Authority event. It's a lot of fun.

Oak Marr Golf Course will hold an opening for the renovated driving range on May 4, at 3 p.m.

• Mr. Bouie asked everyone to pray for Mr. Thompson's father who is undergoing bone marrow transplant tomorrow.

He also reminded the board that the Reston Now Wicked Wine Run will take place on April 13 at 3 p.m. at Lake Fairfax Park.

CLOSED SESSION

At 8 p.m. Mr. Thompson made a motion to convene in closed session for

- a) Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. 2.2-3711(A)(7).
- b) 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. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

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. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

C-1 Approval of an Offer Range for Property Located in the Sully District

Ms. Godbold made a motion to approve an offer range for property located in the Sully
District as discussed in closed session; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried
by all members present. Messrs. Gorham and Khan were absent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Bouie adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

	Michael W. Thompson, Jr., Secretary
Minutes Approved at Meeting on May 8, 2019	
Kirk W. Kincannon, Executive Director	
	Park Authority Board Minutes prepared by
	Barbara J. Gorski, Administrative Assistant

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ACTION - 1

Scope Approval – Laurel Hill Forest Restoration (Mount Vernon District)

RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Executive Director recommends approval of the project scope to plan and implement an ecosystem restoration project at Laurel Hill to restore the native forest community, as presented to and reviewed by the Resource Management Committee on April 10, 2019.

ACTION - 2

<u>Burke Lake Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Thomas and Elizabeth Chennikara (Springfield District)</u>

RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Executive Director recommends approval of the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from Thomas and Elizabeth Chennikara in the amount of \$20,000 to help fund a new shelter at Burke Lake Park, as presented to and reviewed by the Park Operations Committee on April 10, 2019.

ACTION - 3

Naming of Trail 8 at Lake Fairfax Park as Marc Genberg Trail (Hunter Mill District)

RECOMMENDATION:

The Park Authority Executive Director recommends approval of the naming of Trail 8 at Lake Fairfax Park as Marc Genberg Trail, as presented to and reviewed by the Park Operations Committee on April 10, 2019.

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INFORMATION – 1

<u>Property Information – 8800 Richmond Highway – Sitnik/Sitco Inc. Properties (Mount Vernon District)</u>

As presented to and reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee on April 10, 2019.