

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
May 25, 2016  
As Amended**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:40 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  
Walter Alcorn  
Edward R. Batten, Sr.  
Mary Cortina  
Maggie Godbold\*  
Linwood Gorham  
Faisal Khan  
Frank S. Vajda  
Anthony J. Vellucci  
Grace Han Wolf

**Staff Present:**

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

**Absent\***

**Guests:** Karen Lindquist  
Susan Cook, County Attorney

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Speaker:**

Todi Carnes, President, Friends of Historic Huntley

Harry Glasgow, Friends of Huntley Meadows Park

**Topic:**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

ADMIN-1 Resolution Honoring Karen Lindquist upon Her Retirement from Fairfax County Park Authority

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the resolution honoring Karen Lindquist upon her retirement from the Park Authority; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold was absent.

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- ADMIN-1 Approval of Minutes of the May 11, 2016, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2016, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Quincy The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold was absent.

### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

- D-1 Dominion Virginia Power Transmission Rebuild of Belvoir-Gum Springs Double Circuit 230 kV Lines #204 and #220 Adjacent to Huntley Meadows Park, Muddy Hole Farm Park and Mount Vernon Woods Park (Lee and Mount Vernon Districts)  
The board and Susan Cook from the County Attorney's office discussed Dominion Virginia Power's application with the Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC) to rebuild their Belvoir-Gum Springs Double Circuit 230 kV Lines #204 and #220. Park staff has identified potential cultural and natural resource impacts to Huntley Meadows Park and Historic Huntley Park based on DVP's proposed rebuild of the transmission lines. Mr. Bouie reminded the board that DVP has an easement and will rebuild; however, it is up to Parks to see that Parks receives mitigation.

No action was necessary.

[Mr. Alcorn left the meeting @ 8:35 p.m.]

### **ACTION ITEMS**

- A-1 Approval – 2016 Park Bond Category Allocations  
Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the percent distribution of the \$94,700,000, 2016 Park Bond into the following categories:
- Natural and Cultural Resource Stewardship 8.12%
  - Land Acquisition and Open Space Preservation 7.39%
  - Park Renovations and Upgrades 56.16%
  - New Park Development 28.32%

Seconded by Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Vellucci asked that for clarification the listing of projects used to develop the percentages was notional and did not indicate approval for any project on the list staff prepared.

The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.

- A-2 Adoption – Sponsorship Policy 307  
Mr. Bouie announced that this item would be discussed following the Information Item.

- A-3 Stratton Woods Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Northern Fairfax County Babe Ruth League (Hunter Mill District)  
Ms. Cortina made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from Northern Fairfax County Babe Ruth in the amount of \$6,332.57 to install batting cages at Stratton Woods Park; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.
- A-4 Clermont and Lee District Parks – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Pioneer Baseball League (Lee District)  
Mr. Batten made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from Pioneer Baseball League in the amount of \$20,000 to install batting cages at Clermont and Lee District Parks; seconded by Mr. Khan. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.
- A-5 Scope Approval – South Run District RECenter – American with Disabilities Act Renovation of the Family Changing Room, Men’s and Women’s Locker Rooms (Springfield District)  
Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the project scope to renovate the family changing room, men’s and women’s locker rooms at South Run District RECenter to achieve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); seconded by Ms. Cortina. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.
- A-6 Scope Approval – Installation of Synthetic Turf Field #6 at Pine Ridge Park (Mason District)  
Mr. Vajda made a motion to approve the project scope to design, permit, and install synthetic turf at Pine Ridge Park Field #6; seconded by Mr. Khan. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.
- A-7 Scope Approval – Monticello Park Phase I Development (Braddock District)  
Mr. Vellucci made a motion to approve the project scope to design and construct Phase I improvements to Monticello Park; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.
- A-8 Renaming and Reclassification of McLean High Park (Dranesville District)  
Ms. Wolf made a motion to reclassify McLean High Park from a local park to a resource-based park and rename it “Saucy Branch Park”; seconded by Messrs. Quincy and Thompson. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.
- A-9 Request to use the Revenue & Operating Fund Stabilization Reserve  
Ms. Cortina made a motion to approve the use of up to fifty percent of the Revenue & Operating Fund Stabilization Reserve per the established Park Authority guideline that

was adopted June 25, 2014; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.

### **INFORMATION ITEM**

- I-1 Planning and Development Division Quarterly Project Status Report  
No action was necessary.

### **ACTION ITEM**

- A-2 Adoption – Sponsorship Policy 307  
Due to the number of concerns expressed by board members Aimee Vosper provided a PowerPoint presentation noting the concerns and the staff recommendation. Following discussion it was the consensus of the board to allow staff to make the necessary changes and following County Attorney review bring the Sponsorship Policy back to the board for action. Staff is hoping to bring the item back on June 22.

### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

- D-2 Encroachment Management Plan  
Mr. Vellucci made a motion to adopt the resolution in which the Park Authority Board, seeking to provide proper stewardship of the public lands it has been entrusted with hereby directs the Director, Fairfax County Park Authority to develop a Fairfax County Park Authority Encroachment Management Plan to more actively and aggressively address encroachment infractions upon Park Authority property; seconded by Ms. Cortina.

Following discussion of the merits of adopting the resolution presented by Mr. Vellucci, Mr. Kincannon indicated that he would address the Encroachment Management Plan in July with other budget items for FY18 and will make a pitch for what Parks feels is necessary to move the Encroachment Policy Plan and actions forward. Parks will probably do something similar to the Resident Curator Program and ask for additional resources for the agency to focus on encroachment.

Bill Bouie proposed bringing the resolution back once the board has seen the director's recommended program and to certify that Parks will move forward once it has all the information necessary.

Mr. Vajda called for the vote on the motion; seconded by Mr. Khan. Ms. Cortina and Messrs. Gorham, Thompson and Vellucci voted AYE, Ms. Wolf and Messrs. Khan, Batten, Quincy, Bouie, and Vajda voting NAY. The motion failed. Ms. Godbold and Mr. Alcorn were absent.

**CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

Mr. Bouie had nothing to report.

**DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Andi Dorlester represented the Park Authority and shepherded two zoning actions through the rezoning process that were approved by the BOS yesterday (5/12) with significant park proffers:
  1. Meridian Field – This conversion of a large surface parking lot in Tysons to a full service lighted athletic field will satisfy the athletic field need generated by the BORO mixed use development approved earlier this year. The field will need to be completed by the time the 1st occupancy permit in the 2nd building in the BORO is issued. The first two buildings at the BORO will include a Whole Foods and a Movie theatre so construction is likely to move forward soon. This zoning action was complicated
  2. O'Connell property – an infill residential development in Lee District that will add approximately 10 acres of parkland that will connect to Island Creek Park to Amberleigh park and provide a partial trail and greater potential for trail connectivity.
- Meaningful Watershed Educational Partners was honored in the partnership initiative category of the Jack Wood Award for Town Gown Relations at the May 5 George Mason University Board of Visitors meeting. The award honors leadership in fostering mutually beneficial relationships between the university and the community. This partnership category recognizes an equal partnership or program between a Mason entity and an external group that equally benefits the university and the community. Mason's Potomac Environmental Research and Education Center, Fairfax County Public Schools, and the Fairfax County Park Authority developed a curriculum to train more than 75 Mason students to act as field interpreters to explore, understand, and improve their local waterways and the Chesapeake Bay. More than 25,000 seventh-graders have participated since the program began in 2010.
- After two weeks and nearly 5,000 votes cast, Washingtonian Magazine named Burke Lake the winner of Park Wars. As described by Washingtonian, "This sultan of scenery took in 2,246 ballots across the competition, basically destroying all other entries."

Here's the link announcing the winner: <https://www.washingtonian.com/2016/05/23/park-wars-burke-lake-park-ftw/>

- Park Authority Board Member, Mike Thompson, secured a \$10k per month Google AdWords awarded to the Park Foundation.
- Last, but not least, June 4 is going to be very busy. Our trails day event is at 11 a.m. at Lake Accotink. We will follow that up with an opening of the outdoor fitness equipment at

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## **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Vajda invited everyone to come out to enjoy the Spotlight by Starlight Summer Concert at Mason District Park on a Sunday, Wednesday or Friday at 7:30 a.m., or bring the kidlettes and/or grandkidlettes out on Saturday mornings at 10 a.m., or attend the programs at Ossian Hall at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday. He encouraged everyone to try to make at least one concert this summer.
- Ms. Wolf announced that the Town of Herndon was the first town in the Commonwealth of Virginia to sign on to National Wildlife Foundations' Mayors Monarch Pledge. The proclamation was issued at the Herndon Town Council's session on May 24 and planted a monarch garden. If any Friends Groups are interested in how to save pollinators Grace would be happy to bring information on how the group could implement it.
- Mr. Vellucci reminded everyone that there were six days to submit nominations for the Elly Doyle awards. Staff will help with the write-up if necessary.

The Royal Lake mussel rescue party took place on Thursday, May 19. They collected about 450 mussels in 1 ½ hours. Four hundred and twenty-eight went to Woodglen and about 59 went to Huntsman Lake. There were 14 community volunteers and about nine DPWES staff. The volunteers represented the Friends of Accotink Creek, Friends of Lake Accotink Park, Friends of Royal Lake, and Friends of Woodglen Lake.

Raiders of the Lost Trash will take place on Saturday, May 28, at Lake Accotink Park at 8 a.m. Tony stated that if anyone was interested in closer relationship with their spouse he couldn't think of anything more challenging than trying to edge up along the coastline in a canoe to pick up trash. If you survive that, one's marriage can survive anything.

- Ms. Cortina congratulated Green Spring Gardens and FROGS on a very successful plant sale. Twenty-five hundred people attended and the parking lots were full by 9:30 a.m. It was a very successful sunny day. She congratulated everyone for the work they did.
- Mr. Thompson thanked staff for the Lake Accotink Sustainability public meeting. A lot of folks showed and there was a lot of interest. The meeting was well run. He thanked Kirk for dealing with the golf customer issues.

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- Mr. Quincy indicated that Nottoway Nights will begin on Thursday, June 2.
- Mr. Khan invited everyone to stop by Vienna to enjoy Viva Vienna this weekend.

He reported that his cricket team has a reduced tournament because of the rain, but they made it to the finals. The final game will be played on Sunday, May 29.

Mr. Khan thanked Kirk for everything he is doing.

- Mr. Gorham noted that if he had gone first, he would have passed, but since he had not he was going to take the time to thank Dave Bowden and Trina Taylor who met with him at the Mount Vernon RECenter about the expansion last week.
- Mr. Batten thanked all for their efforts to increase the Park Foundation's Board membership.

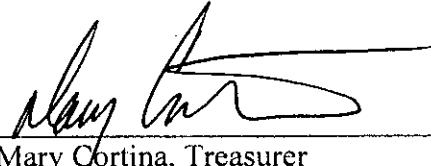
Mike Gailliot's family has contributed significantly over the years to Lee District has consented to become a member of Park Foundation Board. Approval for his nomination will come to the Park board in June.

Mr. Batten reminded everyone about the Cardboard Boat Regatta and added that it is probably the most fun thing that Parks does. Mr. Vellucci works for hard at it and Mr. Batten looks forward to seeing everyone there.

- Mr. Bouie commented that if anyone had watched the news they may have seen a story about the Spirit Equestrian Center being in danger. Parks is working with them to see if something can be done. Everything is currently up in the air and we are trying to stay on top of it. The land next to Frying Pan Farm Park is being developed and Spirit is going to be ejected.
- On June 4-5, there are going to be 60 of the best outdoor racquetball players in the world coming to Stratton Woods Park from six states and three countries in the World Outdoor Racquetball Mid-Atlantic Special.

#### ADJOURNMENT

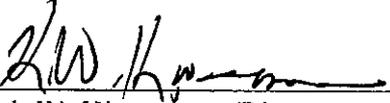
There being no further business and without objection Mr. Bouie called the meeting to a close at 10:05 p.m.

  
Mary Cortina, Treasurer

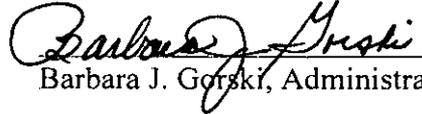
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Minutes Approved at Meeting  
on June 8, 2016

  
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Kirk W. Kincannon, Director

Park Authority Board Minutes prepared by

  
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Barbara J. Gorski, Administrative Assistant