

Fairfax County Trails and Sidewalks Committee Minutes
June 13, 2007

Attendees: Brent Reynolds, Wade Smith, Bruce Wright, Peter Christensen, Roy Brooks, Gene Bartlow, Dennis, Ann Pimley and Sheng Leu.

7:37 pm the meeting was opened. Discussion of old and new business. Minutes of prior meeting were approved with a change made in paragraph three of section "Beltway Construction and Trail Access" to read "However the unique nature of the private-public partnership does not require the developers to comply with these requests".

A discussion followed of DPWES approving the last waiver request without our input. A suggestion was made to invite a DPWES supervisor to speak to us. However Gene Bartlow suggested we review the quality of our responses to the waiver requests before we express our concerns. The committee reviewed our approvals/disapprovals and discussed issues.

Supervisor Hyland's proposal to significantly change the way the County reviews and approves waivers. The committee tentatively supports this effort. It was pointed out Gene Bartlow had developed a good sample response to a waiver request and it is available to any committee member to review for future reference in responding to waiver requests in any given district. (see TW5727Issue Analysys.pdf)

The committee then reviewed the sub-committee dates attached.

Dennis Frew is to schedule to meet with Roger Booth of VDOT regarding the HOT lanes proposal for the beltway and 395.

Bruce Wright initiated discussion of a new planned temporary bike crossing of 495 west of Route 1. There will be a summer detour due to construction of the bridge across the Potomac. It will be approximately three miles and committee members knowledgeable with this felt it was a poor design.

A brief discussion was initiated regarding National Trails Day to determine if there is there a way to better support Jenny Pate, Bruce Wright, Fairfax

City, Scouts, Board, and related groups in coordinating and promoting this day county-wide?

It was noted the increasing number of bikes parked at various metro stations.

Meeting was adjourned at 9pm.