

**SALONA PARK TASK FORCE
MEETING MINUTES
November 19, 2013**

Chair Margaret Malone called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m.

Members Present: Richard Bliss, Beth Chung, Dan DuVal, Carole Herrick, Ed Pickens, Joel Stillman, Mark Turner, and Margaret Malone. Guests included Shannon O’Neil from the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust. Also present, Andrew Galusha representing the Fairfax County Park Authority and Jane Edmondson representing Supervisor John Foust.

Approval of Minutes: A member expressed concern that the minutes did not describe the two proposed amendments that he had made to the minutes of the October 30 meeting. After discussion, the member made a motion that the minutes of the October 30 minutes be amended to describe the proposed amendments. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. The changes to the October 30 minutes are as follows:

The sentence in the Approval of Minutes section that begins with “He expressed...” is amended to read: *He expressed the view that there were inaccuracies and unsubstantiated information in the Caldwell memorandum and that it constituted an inappropriate and personal attack on the MYA representative to the Task Force, the MYA organization, the leadership of the MYS sport program and the MYA participant members.* The second amendment was to change bullet three under the General Discussion section to read: *“whether the draft as presented was inappropriate to the mission of the Task Force in that it does not reflect the views of the community at large or include relevant data such as the result of the views expressed by persons who attended the public meeting.”*

Consideration of Task Force Recommendations for the Development of Salona Park:

The Task Force then discussed the draft report.

- Ed Pickens suggested three changes to the wording on page 9 of the draft report. Two of the suggested changes were approved by the Task Force members.
- On page 10, the members agreed to replace the word “extensive” with “appropriate” before the word landscaping.
- Margaret told the group that she had worked on an Executive Summary but was not satisfied with it. She wants people to read the entire report and not just the Executive Summary.
- There was general agreement that an Executive Summary (no more than three pages) should be provided.
- Margaret will work on refining it, with the goal to distribute it to the Task Force before the next meeting on December 3. She requested that the Task Force members send her any other wording changes they may have.

- A member asked Andy if there were a way to present an opposing opinion to the Park Authority. Andy responded that any citizen is free to send anything to the Park Authority Board.
- Margaret stated that the final report will be presented to the Park Authority Board; Supervisor Foust and the rest of the Board of Supervisors; and Rip Sullivan, Dranesville Representative to the Park Authority Board.
- Andy stated that the Park Authority would most likely have Margaret present the report of the Task Force at one of its Board meetings.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 7:30 p.m. at Supervisor Foust's office.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.