

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
January 10, 2024**

At 6:01pm, during the Park Operations Committee Meeting at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia, the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed with virtual participants.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Secretary  
Bill Bouie  
Linwood Gorham  
Ken Quincy  
Michael Thompson  
Jim Zook

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

Tim Hackman  
Faisal Khan

**Location:**

Residence in Dranesville District  
Residence in Providence District

Absent: Maggie Godbold and Ron Kendall were absent and excused.

Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants are able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Tim Hackman and Faisal Khan.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Khan's voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold and Mr. Kendall were absent.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Hackman's voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold and Mr. Kendall were absent.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority's Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Members Mr. Tim Hackman and Mr. Faisal Khan be permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we

adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold and Mr. Kendall were absent.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person; Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Bouie, and Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter were absent.

Mr. Tim Hackman and Mr. Faisal Khan participated in the meetings virtually due to medical reasons.

Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton arrived in the Park Authority Board Room in person at 6:06pm during the Park Operations Committee Meeting and was present for the remaining committee meetings and Board Meeting.

The Chairman, Kiel Stone, called the meeting to order at 7:32pm at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speaker: Loren Kropat                      Topic: Signage for off-leash dogs

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1     Adoption of Minutes – December 13, 2023, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Bouie made a motion to adopt the minutes of the December 13, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton abstained and Ms. Godbold and Mr. Kendall were absent.

#### **INFORMATION ITEM**

I-1            Lake Accotink Task Force Update  
No action was necessary.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone shared some upcoming dates for the board to be aware of:
  - January 24 – The board will receive the HR&A presentation on the equity study.
  - January 30 at 9:30am – The Health and Human Services Committee of the Board of Supervisors will also hear the presentation from HR&A on the equity study. Mr. Stone encouraged the board members to attend if possible or join virtually or watch the video following the meeting to hear the BOS response to the study.
  - March 7 at 7:00pm – Federation of Friends Meeting (virtual)

- May 22 – A board photograph will be taken during the board meetings that evening, with the opportunity to also update head shots for any board members who would like to do that as well.
- Mr. Stone recognized Mr. Zook for his contributions and service to the board as he will be rotating off after this meeting. Mr. Stone presented him with a wooden FCPA shield.

#### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole announced the winners of this year's First Hike Contest.
  - Director's Award – Brittany Cohen-Brown
  - Judges' Award – Kim Cawley
  - People's Choice Award – Jimmie Cuevas
  - Nature and Landscapes – Christine Lyon
  - Wildlife – Rena Schild
  - Pets – Steve Mason
  - People – Erin Mocko

#### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Khan thanked Mr. Zook for his service to the board. He also reminded the board that he has been working on nominations for this year's board positions and will be reaching out to everyone soon if he hasn't already.
- Mr. Hackman thanked Mr. Zook for his service.
- Dr. Aidoo Hewton congratulated Mr. Zook and wished him well in the future.
- Mr. Thompson thanked Mr. Zook for his contributions. Mr. Zook's professional background truly benefited the board and helped educate the fellow board members.
- Mr. Gorham wished Mr. Zook good luck in the future and thanked him for his contributions.
- Mr. Bouie congratulated Mr. Zook on his new beginning. Mr. Bouie thanked him for his guidance over the years.
- Dr. Carter gave kudos to the staff on all the accomplishments in the annual report. Dr. Carter also wished Mr. Zook the best in his new chapter.
- Mr. Quincy thanked Mr. Zook for his valuable contributions to the board. Mr. Quincy also gave kudos to the staff for the great year.
- Mr. Zook stated it has been his honor and privilege to work with the board and with staff. He has always been impressed with how much the staff across the agency care about their work. He has really enjoyed his time on the board.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm.

**Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division

Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management Division

Michael Peter, Director, Business Administration Division

Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division

Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer

Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on January 24, 2024



Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
January 24, 2024**

At 5:30 pm, during the Planning and Development Committee Meeting at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia, the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed with virtual participants.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Bill Bouie  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ken Quincy  
Michael Thompson  
Johna Toomey

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter

**Location:**

Residence in Franconia District

Absent: Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton, Maggie Godbold and Ron Kendall were absent and excused.

Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants are able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Dr. Carter's voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Mr. Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, Mr. Kendall and Mr. Khan were absent.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority's Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Member Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter be permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Mr. Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, Mr. Kendall and Mr. Khan were absent.

**MINUTES - APPROVED**

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person; Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, Mr. Kendall and Mr. Khan were absent.

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter participated in the meetings virtually due to medical reasons.

Mr. Faisal Khan arrived in the Park Authority Board Room in person at 7:00pm during the dinner break and was present for the Board Meeting.

The Chairman, Kiel Stone, called the meeting to order at 7:30pm at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – January 10, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Bouie made a motion to adopt the minutes of the January 10, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold and Mr. Kendall were absent.

### **ACTION ITEM**

- A-1 Planning and Development Division Annual Work Plan for FY 2024  
Mr. Hackman made a motion to approve the approach of the Planning and Development Division Annual Work Plan for FY 2024 as presented to and reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee on January 24, 2024; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, and Mr. Kendall were absent.
- A-2 Scope Approval – McNaughton Fields Park Concession/Restroom Facility  
Mr. Gorham made a motion to approve the project scope for the construction of a concession/restroom facility at McNaughton Fields Park, as presented to and reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee on January 24, 2024; seconded by Mr. Hackman. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, and Mr. Kendall were absent.
- A-3 Mastenbrook Grant Criteria Update and Conclusion of Grant Application Pause  
Mr. Gorham made a motion to approve adding a project cap of \$100,000 to the criteria for Mastenbrook Grant projects and approval for removing the temporary hold on accepting Mastenbrook Grant applications, as presented to and reviewed by the Park Operations Committee on January 24, 2024; seconded by Mr. Bouie. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, and Mr. Kendall were absent.

- A-4 Equity Report Out by HR&A and Recommendations by the Executive Director  
Mr. Bouie made a motion to approve posting the HR&A Equity Study on the revenue model realignment for public comment and for FCPA to begin an extensive public outreach process with the intent of results to be brought back to the Park Authority Board in fall of 2024, as presented to and reviewed by the Communications and Community Engagement Committee on January 24, 2024; seconded by Mr. Quincy. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, and Mr. Kendall were absent.

### **INFORMATION ITEM**

- I-1 Update on Park Operations Projects from July to September 2023  
No action was necessary.

### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone reminded the board that the Annual Federation of Friends meeting will be held on March 7 at 7:00pm and will be virtual.
- Mr. Stone also shared an update on the Lake Accotink Task Force activities. There was a BOS item at their meeting on January 23<sup>rd</sup> on this topic. The BOS has agreed to move forward with a smaller lake option, in the 20-40 acre range and 4-8 foot depth. They will do a sedimentation study and a feasibility study on this option. DPWES will be the lead on this process and will return to the BOS with a timeline for these next steps.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole shared pictures of the Park Operations Division staff out shoveling the snow during the recent snow events. She commended staff for their hard work and efficiency in managing the snow removal efforts.
- Ms. Cole shared that summer camp registration had opened on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Camp registrations were up 30% from last year. Camps are in very high demand. There were significant challenges with the network demands, which led to system crashes. There were 50,000 hits/clicks in the first ten minutes on the registration platform. Staff is looking at ways to make improvements to the process and the system to prevent this from happening again in the future.
- Ms. Cole shared recent successes in membership sales – currently have the most active members ever – 12,502. Rec Center open houses are bringing in new visitors. New fitness equipment has been purchased. Staff have been attending events to promote membership.
- Ms. Cole stated that at their meeting on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, the BOS approved the proposed rezoning item in Chantilly for a potential data center site. The proffer will include a donation of 67 acres in the Cub Run Stream Valley to FCPA. The developer agreed to remove the

existing bamboo and realignment of trails, so the land donation will take some time to be completed.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Thompson thanked staff for their work on the camps and the snow, in addition to the staff who work with the sports groups as they're determining their schedules and access to gyms and fields. Mr. Thompson stated there are concerns on the Athletic Council about communications with FCPS and that it is positive to hear them state how easy it is to talk to FCPA staff when issues arise. That relationship has changed dramatically over the last years.
- Mr. Gorham welcomed Ms. Johna Toomey as a new board member and encouraged her to ask questions and welcomed her fresh perspective.
- Mr. Hackman welcomed Ms. Toomey also.
- Mr. Bouie welcomed Ms. Toomey. Mr. Bouie also shared that Congressman Connelly had asked for some information that staff was able to provide.
- Mr. Quincy welcomed Ms. Toomey.
- Ms. Toomey thanked everyone for the warm welcome. Ms. Toomey is looking forward to working with the team and with staff.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS - 2024**

Mr. Stone asked Mr. Khan, Chair of the Nominating Committee, to report the committee's recommendations. Mr. Khan stated that the elections were duly advertised and announced the recommendation of Officers for 2024.

Chairman: Kiel Stone (incumbent)  
Vice Chair: Maggie Godbold (incumbent)  
Secretary: Cynthia Jacobs Carter (incumbent)  
Treasurer: Tim Hackman (incumbent)

Mr. Khan called for nominations from the floor for the office of Chairman. There being no other nominations, Mr. Bouie made a motion to close the nominations; seconded by Mr. Thompson. Mr. Stone being unopposed for the office of Chairman, Mr. Khan called for a vote. Mr. Stone was elected unanimously by the members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, and Mr. Kendall were absent.

Mr. Khan called for nominations from the floor for the office of Vice Chair. There being no other nominations, Mr. Hackman made a motion to close the nominations; seconded by Mr. Bouie. Ms. Godbold being unopposed for the office of Vice Chair, Mr. Khan called for a vote. Ms. Godbold was elected unanimously by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, and Mr. Kendall were absent.

Mr. Khan called for nominations from the floor for the office of Secretary. There being no other nominations, Mr. Gorham made a motion to close the nominations; seconded by Mr. Thompson. Dr. Carter being unopposed for the office of Secretary, Mr. Khan called for a vote. Dr. Carter was elected unanimously by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, and Mr. Kendall were absent.

Mr. Khan called for nominations from the floor for the office of Treasurer. There being no other nominations, Mr. Gorham made a motion to close the nominations; seconded by Mr. Bouie. Mr. Hackman being unopposed for the office of Secretary, Mr. Khan called for a vote. Mr. Hackman was elected unanimously by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold, and Mr. Kendall were absent.

Mr. Khan announced the Park Authority Board officers for 2024 and thanked the Board for their support during the nominating process.

Chairman: Kiel Stone  
Vice Chair: Maggie Godbold  
Secretary: Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Treasurer: Tim Hackman

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:57pm, Dr. Carter made a motion that the Park Authority Board recess and convene in closed session for discussion and consideration of matters enumerated in Virginia Code §2.2-3711 and listed in the agenda for this meeting as follows:

- Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of publicly held 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) & (A)(6).

*Response to Request for Information relative to the development of sports tourism facilities.*

Seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo-Hewton, Ms. Godbold and Mr. Kendall were absent.

The Park Authority Board returned to open session at 8:21 pm.

### **CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

Dr. Carter made a motion that the Park Authority Board certifies 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. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo-Hewton, Ms. Godbold and Mr. Kendall were absent.

#### **ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

C-1 No action was necessary.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm.

#### **Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division

Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management Division

Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on February 28, 2024



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Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
February 28, 2024**

At the beginning of the Resource Management Committee Meeting at 5:30pm, the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed in a virtual format.

In order to conduct this meeting wholly electronically and to make certain findings for the record to evidence compliance with Virginia Code §2.2-3708.2, there were actions that needed to be taken prior to conducting business.

**Audibility of Members' Voices**

Chairman Stone conducted a roll call vote to ensure that each member's voice could be heard and to state the location from which they were participating in the meeting.

**Board Member Participating:**

Maggie Godbold, Vice-Chair  
Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Secretary  
Timothy Hackman, Treasurer  
Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Bill Bouie  
Linwood Gorham  
Ron Kendall  
Ken Quincy  
Mike Thompson  
Johna Toomey  
Kiel Stone, Chairman

**Location:**

Residence in Sully District  
Residence in Franconia District  
Residence in Dranesville District  
Residence in Franconia District  
Residence in Hunter Mill District  
Residence in Mount Vernon District  
Residence in Dominican Republic  
Residence in Providence District  
Office in Alexandria  
Residence in Dranesville District  
Office in Braddock District

Mr. Stone made a motion that each member's voice may be adequately heard by each other member of this board; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan was absent.

**Need for an Electronic Meeting**

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board will hold an all-virtual public meeting because circumstances warrant the holding of an all-virtual public meeting, including, but not limited to, the convenience of an all-virtual meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan was absent.

**All-Virtual Public Meeting May be Properly Held**

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board has not had more than two all-virtual public meetings, or more than 25% of its meetings rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater, during the calendar year since the emergency order was lifted; and the Park Authority Board's last meeting was not an all-virtual public meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan was absent.

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board conduct this meeting electronically through a dedicated video- and audio- conferencing line, and that the public may access this meeting by calling 602-333-0032 and entering access code 646450; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan was absent.

**All-Virtual Public Meeting Requirements are Met in Conformance with Park Authority Board Written Policy**

Mr. Stone made a motion that the meeting of the Park Authority Board to be held this day is in conformance with this body's all-virtual public meeting policy and as such:

- i. The meeting notice indicated that the public meeting will be all-virtual, and the notice stated that that the method by which the Park Authority Board chose to meet would not be changed unless the Park Authority Board provided a new meeting notice in accordance with Va. Code § 2.2-3707.
- ii. Public access to this meeting is provided by electronic communication means that allows the public to hear all participating members of the Park Authority Board.
- iii. Audio-visual technology, if available, is used to allow the public to see the members of the Park Authority Board during this meeting.
- iv. A phone number, email address, or other live contact information is provided to the public to alert the Park Authority Board if electronic transmission of this meeting fails for the public, and if such transmission fails, the Park Authority Board will take a recess until public access is restored.
- v. A copy of the proposed agenda and all agenda packets have been made available to the public electronically at the same time such materials were provided to the members of the Park Authority Board;
- vi. The public is afforded the opportunity to comment through electronic means, including written comments, at meetings where public comment is customarily received; and
- vii. There are no more than two members of the Park Authority Board together in one physical location.

Mr. Hackman seconded the motion. The motion carried by all members present, Mr. Khan was absent.

Mr. Faisal Khan joined the meeting at 7:01pm and it was confirmed that that board members could hear Mr. Khan's voice as he participated from his residence in Providence District.

[This meeting was held electronically and was live streamed via Zoom and was accessible via audio by dialing 602-333-0032 and entering the code provided in the meeting announcement.]

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:48 p.m. via Zoom.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM****ADMIN-1**     Board Resolution to Honor Terence Green, Maintenance Crew Chief, for 27 Years of Service

Mr. Hackman made a motion to approve the resolution honoring Terence Green, Maintenance Crew Chief, for 27 years of service; seconded by Mr. Bouie. The motion carried by all members unanimously.

**ADMIN-2**     Adoption of Minutes – January 24, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting

Mr. Hackman made a motion to adopt the minutes of the January 24, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Bouie. The motion carried by all members present. Mr. Khan were absent.

**ACTION ITEM****A-1**     Bond Allocation Approval – Facility Wellness Considerations

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the bond reallocations to make building repairs to revenue-producing facilities, as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on February 28, 2024; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried unanimously.

**A-2**     FY 2024 Third Quarter Budget Review, Fund 10001, General Fund

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the endorsement of the FY 2024 Third Quarter Budget review for the General Fund (Fund 10001), as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on February 28, 2024; seconded by Ms. Godbold. The motion carried unanimously.

**A-3**     FY 2024 Third Quarter Budget Review, Fund 30010, General County Construction Fund

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve endorsement of the FY 2024 Third Quarter Budget Review for the General County Construction Fund (Fund 30010), as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on February 28, 2024; seconded by Ms. Godbold. The motion carried unanimously.

**A-4**     FY 2024 Third Quarter Budget Review, Fund 80000, Park Revenue and Operating Fund

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Third Quarter Budget Review for the Park Revenue and Operating Fund (Fund 80000), as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on February 28, 2024; seconded by Ms. Godbold. The motion carried unanimously.

**INFORMATION ITEM**

- I-1      Rec-PAC Proposed Merger  
No action was necessary.

### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone asked for a vote to ratify the 2024 Park Authority Board Committee List. The vote passed unanimously.
- Mr. Stone stated that the Equity Study was shared with the Board of Supervisors during the recent Health and Human Services Committee meeting. Mr. Stone thought the meeting went well. The financial piece to support the study findings will be part of next year's budget deliberations.
- Mr. Stone stated that the FY 2025 Proposed Budget is favorable to the Park Authority. There were \$39 million in new investments across the county and the Park Authority received just under 10% of that funding. He encouraged the board members to talk with their respective board of supervisors members to continue the dialogue about Park Authority funding.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole shared that there were a variety of tours, events, and programs throughout the Park Authority to recognize Black History Month.
- Ms. Cole shared pictures from the recent Lunar New Year event at Twin Lakes Golf Course. There were almost 200 attendees, 12 performing groups, and lots of activities, games, food, music and dancing. It was an excellent event.
- Ms. Cole shared that the new Childcare Room at Cub Run Rec Center was opened. The space provides up to 2 hours of drop-in childcare for children ages 6 months to 10 years.
- Ms. Cole shared pictures from the recent maple syrup boil events. The events drew 370 attendees and resulted in \$1,200 in sales at the General Store. Ms. Cole gave recognition to staff for programming outdoor events in the winter as it helps families who want to get out of their houses, even if the weather is cold.
- Ms. Cole shared that one of the draft horses at Frying Pan Farm Park recently passed away. Farmer Paul just shared that there are pigs being born tonight. The circle of life is very evident in a farm environment. Ms. Cole shared her thoughts with the staff of Frying Pan as they mourn the loss of Charlie.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Bouie thanked the staff and board for the great job on the budget.
- Dr. Aidoo Hewton thanked staff for their hard work.
- Mr. Thompson thanked staff on the budget piece and also on the court presentation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:04 pm.

**Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division

Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

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At 6:45pm, during the Planning and Development Committee Meeting at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia, the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed with virtual participants.

**Board Members Present:**

- Kiel Stone, Chairman
- Bill Bouie
- Linwood Gorham
- Tim Hackman
- Ken Quincy
- Michael Thompson
- Johna Toomey

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

- Ron Kendall
- Faisal Khan

**Location:**

- Dominican Republic
- Residence in Providence District

Absent: Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton and Maggie Godbold were absent and excused.

Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants are able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Ron Kendall and Faisal Khan.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Kendall’s voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Mr. Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold were absent.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Khan’s voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Mr. Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold were absent.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority’s Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Members Mr. Ron Kendall and Mr. Faisal Khan be

permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Mr. Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold were absent.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person; Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Ms. Godbold were absent.

Mr. Ron Kendall participated in the meetings virtually due to personal reasons, due to personal travel. Mr. Faisal Khan participated in the meetings virtually due to personal reasons, due to his participation in Ramadan.

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter arrived in the Park Authority Board Room in person at 7:08pm during the Planning and Development Committee Meeting and was present for the remaining committee meetings and Board Meeting.

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – February 28, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Stone made a motion to adopt the minutes of the February 24, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Bouie. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton and Ms. Godbold were absent.

#### **ACTION ITEM**

A-1 Scope Approval – Mount Vernon Woods Renovation  
Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the project scope for the renovation of Mount Vernon Woods, as presented to and reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee on March 13, 2024; seconded by Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton and Ms. Godbold were absent.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

I-1 Cultural Resource Management Plan 2024 Update, FY 2023 Accomplishments, and FY 2024 Implementation Plan  
No action was necessary.

- I-2 Equity Study Outreach Update  
No action was necessary.
- I-3 Planning and Development Division Quarterly Project Status Report  
No action was necessary.
- I-4 FY 2024 FCPA Court Improvements  
No action was necessary.
- I-5 FY 2024 Second Quarter Budget Review, Fund 10001, General Fund  
No action was necessary.
- I-6 FY 2024 Second Quarter Budget Review, Fund 80000, Park Services Revenue and Operating Fund  
No action was necessary.
- I-7 FY 2025 Proposed Budget  
No action was necessary.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone stated there will be a joint Park Authority Board and EQAC meeting on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Time and location are TBD.

#### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole shared that the Division Directors who are not presented will now have the option of joining the board meetings online.
- Ms. Cole shared images from the groundbreaking at McNaughton Fields Park for a new restroom, concessions and storage facility.
- Ms. Cole reminded everyone that Earth Day 2024 will be on April 20, 10am-4pm at Sully Historic Site. Many great activities are on the schedule, to include the unveiling of the new Wonder Wagon at noon.
- Ms. Cole shared that there will be a closure of Scott's Run Park due to an emergency maintenance and repair work needed. DPWES will be working to restore operation of three wastewater siphons. The park will be closed for approximately 4-6 weeks for phase 1 of this project. Staging and fencing will begin March 27-28 and work will begin April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Quincy stated that the recent Federation of Friends meeting was outstanding. Those attending demonstrated the value of the friends support to the Park Authority's mission.
- Mr. Kendall reported that he will be back in Virginia on March 19.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 7:41 pm.

**Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division

Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division

Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management Division

Michael Peter, Director, Business Administration Division

Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer

Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on April 24, 2024



Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
April 24, 2024**

At the beginning of the Communications and Community Engagement Committee Meeting at 7:01pm, the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed in a virtual format.

In order to conduct this meeting wholly electronically and to make certain findings for the record to evidence compliance with Virginia Code §2.2-3708.2, there were actions that needed to be taken prior to conducting business.

**Audibility of Members' Voices**

Chairman Stone conducted a roll call vote to ensure that each member's voice could be heard and to state the location from which they were participating in the meeting.

**Board Member Participating:**

Maggie Godbold, Vice-Chair  
Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Secretary  
Timothy Hackman, Treasurer  
Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Bill Bouie  
Linwood Gorham  
Ron Kendall  
Mike Thompson  
Johna Toomey  
Kiel Stone, Chairman

**Location:**

Residence in Sully District  
Residence in Franconia District  
Residence in Dranesville District  
Residence in Franconia District  
Residence in Hunter Mill District  
Residence in Mount Vernon District  
Residence in Mason District  
Office in Alexandria  
Residence in Dranesville District  
Residence in Braddock District

Mr. Stone made a motion that each member's voice may be adequately heard by each other member of this board; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan and Mr. Quincy were absent.

**Need for an Electronic Meeting**

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board will hold an all-virtual public meeting because circumstances warrant the holding of an all-virtual public meeting, including, but not limited to, the convenience of an all-virtual meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan and Mr. Quincy were absent.

**All-Virtual Public Meeting May be Properly Held**

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board has not had more than two all-virtual public meetings, or more than 25% of its meetings rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater, during the calendar year since the emergency order was lifted; and the Park Authority Board's last meeting was not an all-virtual public meeting; seconded by Mr.

Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan and Mr. Quincy were absent.

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board conduct this meeting electronically through a dedicated video- and audio- conferencing line, and that the public may access this meeting by calling 602-333-0032 and entering access code 646450; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan and Mr. Quincy were absent.

**All-Virtual Public Meeting Requirements are Met in Conformance with Park Authority Board Written Policy**

Mr. Stone made a motion that the meeting of the Park Authority Board to be held this day is in conformance with this body's all-virtual public meeting policy and as such:

- i. The meeting notice indicated that the public meeting will be all-virtual, and the notice stated that that the method by which the Park Authority Board chose to meet would not be changed unless the Park Authority Board provided a new meeting notice in accordance with Va. Code § 2.2-3707.
- ii. Public access to this meeting is provided by electronic communication means that allows the public to hear all participating members of the Park Authority Board.
- iii. Audio-visual technology, if available, is used to allow the public to see the members of the Park Authority Board during this meeting.
- iv. A phone number, email address, or other live contact information is provided to the public to alert the Park Authority Board if electronic transmission of this meeting fails for the public, and if such transmission fails, the Park Authority Board will take a recess until public access is restored.
- v. A copy of the proposed agenda and all agenda packets have been made available to the public electronically at the same time such materials were provided to the members of the Park Authority Board;
- vi. The public is afforded the opportunity to comment through electronic means, including written comments, at meetings where public comment is customarily received; and
- vii. There are no more than two members of the Park Authority Board together in one physical location.

Mr. Hackman seconded the motion. The motion carried by all members present, Mr. Khan and Mr. Quincy were absent.

Mr. Quincy joined the meeting via phone at 7:08pm and it was confirmed that the board members could hear his voice as he participated from his residence in the Providence District.

Mr. Faisal Khan joined the meeting at 7:16pm and it was confirmed that the board members could hear Mr. Khan's voice as he participated from his residence in Providence District.

[This meeting was held electronically and was live streamed via Zoom and was accessible via audio by dialing 602-333-0032 and entering the code provided in the meeting announcement.]

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. via Zoom.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speaker: Tallas Robinson

Topic: Injury Claim

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – March 13, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Stone made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 13, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried unanimously; Dr. Aidoo Hewton and Ms. Godbold abstained.

### **ACTION ITEM**

A-1 FY 2024 Out of Cycle Budget Increase, Fund 80000, Park Revenue and Operating Fund  
Mr. Hackman made a motion to approve the FY 2024 out of cycle budget increase for the Park Revenue and Operating Fund (Fund 80000), as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on April 24, 2024; seconded by Ms. Godbold. The motion carried unanimously.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

I-1 Mobile Nature Center Update  
No action was necessary.

I-2 FCPA Energy Plan Update  
No action was necessary.

I-3 FCPA Zero Waste Plan Update  
No action was necessary.

### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone stated there will be a joint Park Authority Board and EQAC meeting on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be at 6:00pm in Rooms 4/5 at the Government Center. He encouraged all members of the board to attend.
- Mr. Stone reminded the board that there will be a board group photo and headshots taken during the May 22<sup>nd</sup> board meeting.

- Mr. Stone shared that the Earth Day Festival was very successful and unveiled the Wonder Wagon. Attendance was high and we had lots of good press coverage of the event.
- Mr. Stone stated that there was a good turnout for the Budget Public Hearings. Mr. Stone's comments focused on the continued maintenance needs and reinforce the equity request from the equity study.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole thanked Mr. Stone for his support in the budget process and his work with the Board of Supervisors.
- Ms. Cole shared that the summer camp registration process continues to go well. Waitlists are now open. Approximately 10,500 camp spaces are still open and marketing efforts will continue to fill those spots.
- Ms. Cole shared that FCPA co-sponsored the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference for Spanish-Speaking Landscape Professionals. The event was co-hosted with NOVA Soil and Water Conservation District and Plant NOVA Natives. Over 150 attendees participated.
- Ms. Cole presented the 2023 Eakin Philanthropy Award to Leidos, MYS, and the Ambassador of the United Arab Emirates for their contributions to support the new synthetic field at Halladay Field.
- Ms. Cole stated the FCPA amusements have had a strong start to the season – carousel rides, train rides, boat rentals, and mini-golfers.
- Ms. Cole shared that the Riverbend Bluebell Festival had 847 attendees and the bluebells were in peak bloom. The event included music, food activities and birds of prey. Ms. Cole thanked staff for their ability to accommodate a visit from the Secretary of Transportation at the last minute and welcome him and his family to this event.
- Ms. Cole shared that there were hundreds of attendees at a variety of sites the day of the recent eclipse. Staff led a variety of learning activities and provided solar binoculars, sun scopes, telescopes and viewing glasses.
- Ms. Cole shared that over 6,000 people attended the 2024 Horse Expo at Frying Pan Farm Park. 19 breeds of horses participated in the Parade of Breeds.
- Ms. Cole shared that over 7,000 people attended the 2024 Earth Day Festival. There were over 100 volunteers and 87 vendors. The Wonder Wagon was unveiled and reusable cups and food containers were used to reduce waste. The event feedback has been overwhelmingly positive.
- Ms. Cole welcomed Ms. Daidria Grayson, the new Division Director for Marketing and Communications Division. Ms. Grayson introduced herself and stated that she is looking forward to working with the board and FCPA team.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Dr. Aidoo Hewton welcomed Ms. Grayson.

- Mr. Bouie welcomed Ms. Grayson. Mr. Bouie stated that the opening of the Reston Farmers Market will be Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Dr. Carter welcomed Ms. Grayson.
- Ms. Godbold welcomed Ms. Grayson. Ms. Godbold thanked the staff for a fabulous Earth Day event.
- Mr. Gorham welcomed Ms. Grayson.
- Mr. Hackman welcomed Ms. Grayson.
- Mr. Kendall thanked staff for fielding a variety of questions recently from Supervisor Jimenez's office. Mr. Kendall shared that he attended several of the recent Nature Conservancy clean-up events and noticed that there was less trash in the woods. Mr. Kendall shared that the Wonder Wagon would be at the Eileen Garnet Civic Space's Earth Day event on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> and also at Culmore Days in early May. The Mason District Park summer concert series will be on June 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Mr. Khan welcomed Ms. Grayson.
- Mr. Quincy welcomed Ms. Grayson. Mr. Quincy attended three Earth Day events that were very well attended by all ages. He made note of the number of young people at the events and he felt like that was a positive sign.
- Mr. Thompson welcomed Ms. Grayson. Mr. Thompson also thanked staff for their work to get all the fields and courts up and running this time of year with the spring sports.
- Ms. Toomey welcomed Ms. Grayson. Ms. Toomey was impressed by the Earth Day event and all the care that went into the activities for the kids. Ms. Toomey thanked the staff for all the briefings that staff provided for her recently to help her learn about all the Park Authority does.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm.

### **Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division

Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division

Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management Division

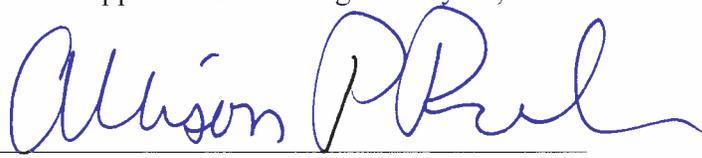
Michael Peter, Director, Business Administration Division

Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division

Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer

Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on May 22, 2024



Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
May 22, 2024**

At 5:33pm, during the Resource Management Committee Meeting at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia, the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed with virtual participants.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Bill Bouie  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ken Quincy  
Michael Thompson  
Johna Toomey

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

Ron Kendall

**Location:**

Residence in Mason District

Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants are able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Ron Kendall.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Kendall’s voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Mr. Bill Bouie. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Mr. Khan, and Ms. Godbold were absent.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority’s Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Member Mr. Ron Kendall be permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Mr. Bill Bouie. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Mr. Khan, and Ms. Godbold were absent.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person; Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Mr. Khan, and Ms. Godbold were absent.

Mr. Ron Kendall participated in the meetings virtually due to medical reasons.

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter arrived in the Park Authority Board Room in person at 6:21pm and Mr. Faisal Khan arrived in the Park Authority Board Room in person at 6:55pm during the Park Operations Committee Meeting and were present for the remaining committee meetings and Board Meeting.

Absent: Maggie Godbold was absent and excused.

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speakers:	Topic:
Sarah Wysocki	Kendale Woods Pickleball Courts
Anthony Katchusky	Kendale Woods Pickleball Courts
Timothy Werder	Kendale Woods Pickleball Courts

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – April 24, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Bouie made a motion to adopt the minutes of the April 24, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold was absent.

### **ACTION ITEM**

A-1 Scope Approval – Cub Run Rec Center Competition Pool Filter Replacement  
Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the project scope for the replacement of the existing sand filters serving the competition pool with new high-rate sand filters at Cub Run Rec Center, as presented to and reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee on May 22, 2024; seconded by Mr. Bouie. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold was absent.

A-2 Scope Approval – Jefferson Manor Park – Restroom Renovation and ADA Accessible Trails  
Dr. Carter made a motion to approve the project scope to provide accessibility upgrades, including restroom renovations and ADA access to park features at Jefferson Manor Park, as presented to and reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee on May 22, 2024, seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold was absent.

A-3 Parklawn Park - Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request –  
Mason District Little League

Mr. Kendall made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook grant award in the amount of \$12,945 to help fund a project to renovate the diamond infield at Parklawn Park, as presented to and reviewed by the Park Operations Committee on May 22, 2024; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold was absent.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

I-1 Summary of Board of Supervisors Public Hearing Testimony

No action was necessary.

### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone thanked Board of Supervisors Bierman and Jimenez during the budget approval process for their support on trail maintenance funds and other trash maintenance funds. There was additional BOS budget guidance in support of parks – asking for further efforts be made in regards to the equity initiative and park maintenance funds.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole shared that the Michael Hoffman Award was recently given to the Park Authority by the Council of Virginia Archaeologists.
- Ms. Cole shared the inline skate rink at Lake Fairfax Park was opened. The rink was the result of a public-private partnership with the Washington Capitals.
- Ms. Cole shared that the Ellmore House at Frying Pan Farm Park, which is part of the Resident Curator Program, was recently opened and the lessee, Service Source, has opened a gift shop and café in the building.
- Ms. Cole shared that the Healthy Strides 5k/10k event was very successful.
- Ms. Cole shared images from the recent Wetlands Awareness Day that was held at Huntley Meadows Park.
- Ms. Cole shared that all 10 Farmers Markets are now open. SNAP benefits, available at select markets, have been expanded, up to \$40 for purchasing fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Ms. Cole shared that the recent Culmore Community Day and Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Celebration were very successful events and the Park Authority partners with community organizations to support these events.
- Ms. Cole reminded everyone that the WaterMine, MLK Pool, and Our Special Harbor will all open this weekend. She also thanked staff for all their work to prepare these facilities for the summer season and to be ready for opening weekend.

**BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Kendall shared that the recent spring plant sale at Green Spring Gardens was a big success. There were approximately 40 vendors and over 1,800 attendees. Mr. Kendall thanked staff for their work to bring down the White Gardens house so that plans for the park can move forward. Mr. Kendall also thanked the community from Broyhill Crest for coming out to share their views.
- Dr. Aidoo Hewton thanked staff for the great work they do and the great presentations they share with the board.
- Mr. Thompson thanked staff for their hard work to make sure that fields are open and available even with all the recent rains.
- Mr. Gorham shared that the bathrooms at Laurel Hill Central Green are going to be open this weekend. He thanked staff for their work to make that happen. Mr. Gorham also shared that there will be a celebration of National Trails Day and the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Gerry Connally Cross County Trail on June 1<sup>st</sup> at 9am at the Laurel Hill Central Green.
- Mr. Bouie thanked the citizens that came to the meeting to give their input. Mr. Bouie also mentioned the opening of the inline skate rink at Lake Fairfax Park. Funding was provided by proffer funds and funding from the National Hockey League and the Washington Capitals. Mr. Bouie also shared that the opening of the Elmore House was very touching and the Pizano family has continued their community involvement by working on the construction on this project.
- Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter thanked staff for all their wonderful work.
- Ms. Toomey thanked the residents for coming to the meeting to talk about their concerns about the pickleball courts. Ms. Toomey also thanked staff for their work to open the water facilities this season.
- Mr. Quincy thanked the citizens for coming and sharing their opinions. Mr. Quincy also shared what a successful event the Healthy Strides race was. Staff and volunteers did a great job.

Mr. Stone asked Public Information Officer, Ben Boxer, to share information about National Trails Day. Mr. Boxer stated the event will be on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 9-11 am at Laurel Hill Central Green and will also celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gerry Connally Cross County Trail. There will be speakers, a ribbon cutting for the new bathrooms, the Wonder Wagon, the fire department, equestrians, and more activities.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm.

**Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO  
Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD  
Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division  
Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division  
Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division  
Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division  
Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management Division  
Michael Peter, Director, Business Administration Division  
Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division  
Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer  
Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on June 5, 2024



Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
June 5, 2024**

At 7:46pm, Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Maggie Godbold  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ron Kendall  
Ken Quincy  
Michael Thompson  
Johna Toomey

Absent: Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton, Bill Bouie and Faisal Khan were absent and excused.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1 Board Resolution to Honor Don Sweeney, FCPA Photographer, for 35 Years of Service

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the resolution honoring Don Sweeney, FCPA Photographer, for 35 years of service; seconded by Ms. Godbold. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Bouie and Mr. Khan were absent.

ADMIN-2 Adoption of Minutes – May 22, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting

Ms. Godbold made a motion to adopt the minutes of the May 22, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present, Ms. Godbold abstained. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Bouie and Mr. Khan were absent.

**ACTION ITEM**

A-1 Pine Ridge Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request – Braddock Road Youth Club

**MINUTES - APPROVED**

Mr. Kendall made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant request from the Braddock Road Youth Club in the amount of \$6,205 to help fund a project to extend the fencing around field 6 at Pine Ridge Park, as presented to and reviewed by the Park Operations Committee on June 5, 2024; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Bouie and Mr. Khan were absent.

- A-2 Scope Approval – Helping Our Land Heal Forest Restoration Projects: Cub Run Stream Valley Park, Pohick Stream Valley Park, and Difficult Run Stream Valley Park  
Ms. Godbold made a motion to approve the project scope to plan and implement ecosystem restoration projects at Cub Run Stream Valley Park, Pohick Stream Valley Park and Difficult Run Stream Valley Park to restore forest communities, as presented to and reviewed by the Resource Management Committee on June 5, 2024, seconded by Dr. Carter, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Bouie and Mr. Khan were absent.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- I-1 Deer Management Plan  
No action was necessary.
- I-2 Planning and Development Division Quarterly Project Status Report  
No action was necessary.
- I-3 Update of Park Operations Projects from October 2023 to March 2024  
No action was necessary.
- I-4 Update on Trash and Recycling Initiative  
No action was necessary.
- I-5 Removal of Pickleball Lines at Kendale Woods Park  
No action was necessary.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone mentioned the National Trails Day event on June 1<sup>st</sup> and thanked Mr. Quincy and Mr. Gorham for attending the event.

#### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole shared the Park Amenity Locator video was recognized by the National Association of Government Communicators. The video took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Educational/Instructional Video category.
- Ms. Cole stated the National Trails Day event was held on June 1<sup>st</sup> in conjunction with the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the naming of the Gerry Connolly Cross County Trail and the opening of the restroom facility at Laurel Hill Central Green. Ms. Cole also thanked Supervisor Lusk, Supervisor Storck, Supervisor Walkinshaw, and Chairman McKay for attending.
- Ms. Cole stated the outdoor water features all opened over Memorial Day weekend with high attendance at each location despite potential bad weather. Ms. Cole thanked the aquatic staff for all their preparations to ensure a successful start to the season.
- Ms. Cole shared that the Employee Appreciation Day was held on June 4<sup>th</sup> at Lake Accotink Park. The event was well attended and was a great opportunity to celebrate and thank our amazing staff team.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Thompson thanked Park Operations staff for their hard work to make sure that fields are open and available even with all the recent rains. The community appreciates the efforts that staff are making to keep fields open and playable.
- Mr. Gorham recognized his son, Charlie, who was in attendance during the meeting.
- Mr. Hackman shared that his grandson, Micah Vicar, was born on Memorial Day.
- Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter shared that her eldest granddaughter recently graduated cum laude from Spellman College.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 8:04 pm, Dr. Carter made a motion that the Park Authority Board recess and convene in closed session for discussion and consideration of matters enumerated in Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(7) and listed in the agenda for this meeting as follows:

- Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body, pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(8).

*Mason District – Kendale Woods Park*

Seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo-Hewton, Mr. Bouie and Mr. Khan were absent.

The Park Authority Board returned to open session at 8:54 pm.

**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

Dr. Carter made a motion that the Park Authority Board certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements prescribed by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion to convene Closed Session were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote of all members present; Dr. Aidoo-Hewton, Mr. Bouie and Mr. Khan were absent.

**ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

C-1 No action was necessary.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:56 pm.

**Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division

Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division

Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management Division

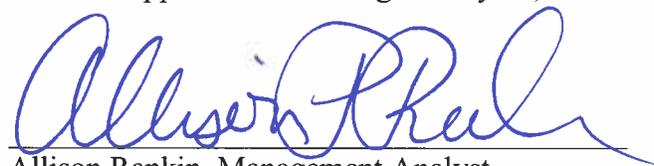
Michael Peter, Director, Business Administration Division

Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division

Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer

Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on July 10, 2024



Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
July 10, 2024**

At 7:49pm, Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Maggie Godbold  
Tim Hackman  
Ron Kendall  
Faisal Khan  
Ken Quincy

Absent: Linwood Gorham, Michael Thompson and Johna Toomey were absent and excused.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1     Resolution Honoring the Fairfax County Park Authority's Outstanding Volunteers of 2024

Mr. Bouie made a motion to approve the resolution honoring the Fairfax County Park Authority's Outstanding Volunteers of 2024; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present. Mr. Gorham, Mr. Thompson and Ms. Toomey were absent.

ADMIN-2     Adoption of Minutes – June 5, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting

Ms. Godbold made a motion to adopt the minutes of the May 22, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Bouie. Mr. Bouie offered an amendment to the minutes to reflect that he was absent and excused from the June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. The motion with the proposed amendment carried by all members present. Mr. Gorham, Mr. Thompson and Ms. Toomey were absent.

**ACTION ITEM**

A-1         Park Foundation FY 2025 Fundraising Projects

Mr. Bouie made a motion to approve the project list for fundraising by the Park Foundation in FY 2025; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Mr. Gorham, Mr. Thompson and Ms. Toomey were absent.

A-2 Audrey Moore Recreation Center Renovation Budget Strategy

This item was presented to the Planning and Development Committee on July 10, 2024 and the Committee opted to defer approval of this item until further review of design concepts at a future meeting in September 2024.

A-3 Adoption of the Revised Policy for Remote Participation in Public Meetings – Policy 111 and the Revised Policy for All-Virtual Public Meetings – Policy 112

Mr. Bouie made a motion to approve adoption of the revisions to Policy 111-Remote Participation in Public Meetings and to Policy 112-All-Virtual Public Meetings, as presented to and reviewed by the Administration and Board Management Committee on July 10, 2024; seconded by Mr. Hackman. Mr. Gorham, Mr. Thompson and Ms. Toomey were absent.

A-4 FY 2024 Carryover Budget Review, Fund 10001, Park Authority General Fund

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Carryover Budget Review for the Park Authority General Fund (10001), as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on July 10, 2024; seconded by Mr. Bouie. Mr. Gorham, Mr. Thompson and Ms. Toomey were absent.

A-5 FY 2024 Unencumbered Carryover Requests

Mr. Quincy made a motion to endorse the FY 2024 Unencumbered Carryover Requests, as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on July 10, 2024; seconded by Mr. Hackman. Mr. Gorham, Mr. Thompson and Ms. Toomey were absent.

A-6 FY 2024 Carryover Budget Review for Bond Fund

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Budget Carryover for Fund 30400, Park Authority Bond Construction Fund, as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on July 10, 2024; seconded by Mr. Bouie. Mr. Gorham, Mr. Thompson and Ms. Toomey were absent.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

I-1 Fairfax County Park Foundation FY 2025 Meeting Dates

No action was necessary.

I-2 FY 2024 Third Quarter Budget Review, Fund 10001, General Fund

No action was necessary.

- I-3 FY 2024 Third Quarter Budget Review, Fund 80000, Park Services Revenue and Operating Fund  
No action was necessary.

### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone wished everyone a Happy Parks and Recreation Month and encouraged the board members to get out into the parks.
- Mr. Stone stated that this year's reduction exercise was also announced by the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors on June 11<sup>th</sup>, so it is public information. The Chairman did emphasize that the BOS will be the final decision-making body on the FY 2026 budget. There will be plenty of opportunity to continue making our case to the BOS and the public prior to the final approval in the spring.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole stated that the 10% budget reduction exercise is going to seem like a lot. The list is a non-recommended list of proposed cuts – that message will be reiterated. This year's exercise does not limit what can be proposed, so there will be a broader set of options.
- Ms. Cole shared that Kim de Wilde Young, a naturalist at Hidden Oaks Nature Center, recently received the A. Heath Onthank Award, which is the highest award for public service within Fairfax County.
- Ms. Cole shared that the 2024 Juneteenth celebration saw over 350 visitors to Sully Historic Site and was very successful.
- Ms. Cole shared that the Father's Day Car Show at Sully Historic Site had over 4,000 attendees. Ms. Cole thanked staff for all of their support of this event.
- Ms. Cole shared that there were over 6,000 attendees for the Fourth of July fireworks event. The Water Mine also hit capacity limits very early that day. Ms. Cole also acknowledged the support of agency-wide staff for all of the FCPA events.
- Ms. Cole stated that 10 of the Budweiser Clydesdale Horses stayed at Frying Pan Farm Park while they were in DC for the Fourth of July parade.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Kendall thanked Ms. Cole for the work she's done over the last three months to deal with the outstanding issues in Mason District. He stated that Ms. Cole has his full support. He also stated that the Park Authority does not make unilateral decisions and whatever actions Park Authority staff takes is with the full knowledge and support of the board. He thanked Ms. Cole for continuing to try to resolve the issues.
- Mr. Quincy seconded Mr. Kendall's words. Mr. Quincy also shared a recent Eagle Scout project that was completed in Dunn Loring Park to build a fence.
- Dr. Aidoo Hewton thanked Ms. Cole and the agency leadership for all their hard work.

- Mr. Bouie supported Mr. Kendall's comments about Ms. Cole. He stated that she has the board's full support. Mr. Bouie asked the board to vote for the Reston Farmer's Market to win a \$5,000 prize from American Farmland Trust, which is an annual nationwide contest for the best farmer's market. Mr. Bouie also stated that the fireworks at Lake Fairfax were tremendous, but there were some complaints due to the effects of the sounds on animals and those suffering from PTSD. He asked that staff consider looking into switching from a fireworks show to a drone show to address those concerns. He stated the drone shows are growing in popularity and are safer.
- Dr. Carter stated her support for Ms. Cole and the job she is doing. Dr. Carter also stated that the Juneteenth festivities were wonderful.
- Ms. Godbold thanked staff for their support of the Sully Car Show and the Juneteenth event. Ms. Godbold also thanked Ms. Cole and the FCPA staff.
- Dr. Carter shared that her great-grandfather was a member of the Union troops that marched to Galveston, TX in 1865 to let the slaves know they were freed. His name was Corporal Solomon Jacobs.

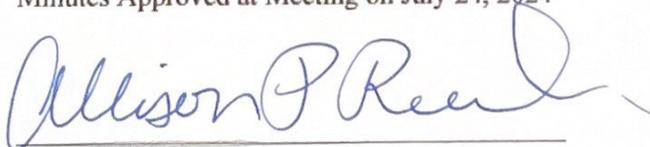
#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:11 pm.

#### **Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director  
Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO  
Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD  
Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division  
Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division  
Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division  
Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management Division  
Michael Peter, Director, Business Administration Division  
Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division  
Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer  
Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

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Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
July 24, 2024**

At 6:45pm, during the Resource Management Committee Meeting at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia, the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed with virtual participants.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman

Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton

Maggie Godbold

Linwood Gorham

Tim Hackman

Ken Quincy

Johna Toomey

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter

**Location:**

Residence in Franconia District

Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants are able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Dr. Carter's voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present; Bill Bouie, Ron Kendall, Faisal Khan, and Mike Thompson were absent.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority's Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Member Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter be permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present; Bill Bouie, Ron Kendall, Faisal Khan, and Mike Thompson were absent.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person; Bill Bouie, Ron Kendall, Faisal Khan, and Mike Thompson were absent.

**MINUTES - APPROVED**

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter participated in the meetings virtually due to medical reasons.

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

At 7:37pm, Mr. Stone verified that Mr. Faisal Khan had joined the meeting remotely from his home in the Providence District.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Khan's voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present; Bill Bouie, Ron Kendall, and Mike Thompson were absent.

Mr. Faisal Khan participated in the meetings virtually due to personal reasons. Mr. Khan had tentative travel plans.

Absent: Bill Bouie, Ron Kendall, and Mike Thompson were absent and excused.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

#### **PRESENTATION ITEM**

P-1 Introduction of the Summer Interns 2024  
Tameca Brown, FCPA Organizational Development and Training Manager, presented the 2024 FCPA Summer Interns.

At 7:54pm, Mr. Stone verified that Mr. Michael Thompson had joined the meeting remotely from Denver, Colorado.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Thompson's voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present; Bill Bouie and Ron Kendall were absent.

Mr. Michael Thompson participated in the meetings virtually due to personal reasons. Mr. Thompson was traveling due to work.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – July 10, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Ms. Godbold made a motion to adopt the minutes of the July 10, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present. Mr. Bouie and Mr. Kendall were absent.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- A-1 FY 2024 Carryover and Budget Review and FY 2025 Revised Budget for the Park Revenue and Operating Fund (80000)  
Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Carryover and Budget Review and the FY 2025 Revised Budget for the Park Revenue and Operating Fund; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present. Mr. Bouie and Mr. Kendall were absent.
- A-2 FY 2024 Carryover and Budget Review and FY 2025 Revised Budget for the Park Improvement Fund (80300)  
Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Carryover and Budget Review and the FY 2025 Revised Budget for the Park Improvement Fund; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present. Mr. Bouie and Mr. Kendall were absent.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- I-1 Legislative Program - 2024  
No action was necessary.
- I-2 Development of FY 2026 Proposed Budget  
No action was necessary.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone reminded the board that there will be a Board Meeting on August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm to present the FCPA proposed list of 10% budget reductions that the County Executive has requested of all departments.
- Mr. Stone stated that there will be an extended opportunity for public input at the end of the board meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Our park advocates and friend groups will be welcome to come and give public input on budget concerns. The summary of all budget comments shared during the budget input session, through any online form, or via email or phone will be shared with the board during the September 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Mr. Stone thanked Chairman McKay and Dr. Carter for joining him to celebrate the 2024 Outstanding Volunteer Award winners at the July 18<sup>th</sup> Summer Concert on the Ellipse.
- Mr. Stone shared that Ms. Cole and John Burke presented to the BOS Environmental Committee on invasive management initiatives. The BOS is looking for a unified county-wide approach to invasives. There will be follow up by staff to bring more details on solution options later this year.
- Mr. Stone shared that on June 25<sup>th</sup> Supervisor Walkinshaw asked staff to research options related to establishing a Recreational Facilities Authority. The Board Matter will be sent to board members following the meeting. The Sports Tourism Task Force discussed this issue at their meeting on July 24<sup>th</sup> and views this authority as a way to increase sports tourism in

the county. County staff will return to the BOS with more information by the end of the year.

- Mr. Stone shared that the PROSA Strategy won the Plan of the Year Award from the Virginia Chapter of the American Planning Association. He congratulated staff for the award.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole shared that July is Parks and Recreation Month. The BOS issued a proclamation on July 16<sup>th</sup> and she shared a part of the video of the Board comments recognizing the Park Authority staff and their hard work.
- Ms. Cole stated that staff will send out a link to the presentation she and John Burke gave at the BOS Environmental Committee on invasives.
- Ms. Cole shared a picture of the Volunteer Appreciation Night event to recognize all of our volunteers and to celebrate the 2024 Outstanding Volunteers.
- Ms. Cole shared that Oakmont Rec Center will be closed Monday, August 19 through Saturday, September 14. Work includes duct work throughout the building, ceiling repairs, restroom and locker room upgrades, lighting updates, replacement of the roof and skylights, and expanding the HVAC control system.
- Ms. Cole stated that staff has been working to keep all of the campers and program participants safe during this record breaking heat. Staff has been trained on signs of heat stroke, heat exhaustion, and sunburn. Activities are modified as needed and regular shade, water and indoor breaks are provided. Ms. Cole thanked staff for all their work this summer and appreciated the proactive communications with parents and participants.
- Ms. Cole shared that there are 36 baseball and softball tournaments scheduled for the season at sites including Patriot Park North, Wakefield and others. Athletic field management staff have trained other FCPA staff in field maintenance and tournament support to manage the sizeable tournament schedule.
- Ms. Cole shared that the Wakefield Park sign was recently refurbished. All FCPA signs are getting updated with the FCPA shield. Rec Center signs are also getting a refreshed look.
- Ms. Cole shared that Burke Lake Golf Center is now offering the Orange Tee Club. This program offers tees that are closer to the hole, focusing on ages 5-12, and makes for an easier and less intimidating game. Ms. Cole thanked the Park Foundation for their support of this program.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Ms. Toomey asked about capacity at the county's cooling centers and any potential concerns about the impact of climate change on the ability to provide space at the centers in the future. Ms. Cole stated that the program is a collaboration between the libraries, community centers, rec centers and other county facilities. The county has an Extreme Heat webpage ([www.fairfaxcounty.gov/topics/extreme-heat-resources](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/topics/extreme-heat-resources)) with more information about the program.

- Mr. Thompson reminded the board and staff that at some point there will need to be work done with FCPS to deal with the agreement for Cub Run Rec Center.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:24 pm.

**Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division

Michael Peter, Director, Business Administration Division

Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division

Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer

Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

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Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
September 11, 2024**

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

At the start of the Park Authority Board Meeting the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed with virtual participants.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Bill Bouie  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ron Kendall  
Ken Quincy  
Mike Thompson  
Johna Toomey

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Faisal Khan

**Location:**

Residence in Franconia District  
Residence in Providence District

Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants are able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter and Mr. Faisal Khan.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Dr. Carter’s and Mr. Khan’s voices may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Mr. Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Maggie Godbold was absent.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority’s Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Members Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter and Faisal Khan be permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor,

Herrity building. Seconded by Mr. Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Maggie Godbold was absent.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person; Maggie Godbold was absent.

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter participated in the meetings virtually due to personal reasons (work) and Mr. Khan participated in the meetings virtually due to personal reasons (work).

Absent: Maggie Godbold was absent and excused.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – July 24, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Hackman made a motion to adopt the minutes of the July 24, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold was absent.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

A-1 Scope Approval – Lake Accotink Park Dam Assessment  
Mr. Hackman made a motion to approve the project scope for the dam assessment at Lake Accotink Park; seconded by Mr. Bouie. The motion carried by all members present. Ms. Godbold was absent.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

I-1 Deer Management Plan - Addition  
No action was necessary.

### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone shared that there will be a Joint PAB/BOS meeting on Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.
- Mr. Stone shared that Huntley Meadows Park was highlighted in a feature article in the recent Virginia Wildlife Magazine, which is published by Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources.

**DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole shared that on September 4th staff from FCPA and a variety of county agencies participated in a clean up of an encampment at Mantua Park. Outreach workers had been working with the residents of the encampment for several months to get them connected to appropriate resources.
- Ms. Cole shared that MLK lifeguards were recently presented with a letter of commendation from Fairfax County Fire and Rescue for outstanding lifesaving efforts on behalf of a resident.
- Ms. Cole stated that Cox Communications recently presented awards to five outstanding FCPA employees.
- Ms. Cole shared pictures from the recent 4-H Fair, which was also featured on Channel 7's Grillin' Out segment.
- Ms. Cole shared a round-up on the 2024 Summer Entertainment Series, which held 202 events across the county.
- Ms. Cole stated that the summer camp season had 30,759 registrations, ran 1,371 active programs, and saw 13,352 distinct customers. There were 489 requests for access and inclusion support.
- Ms. Cole shared that there were almost 11,000 registrations this summer for Rec-PAC across 28 locations and included 113 access and inclusion requests for 27 children. Over the 24 years the Rec-PAC program has been offered by FCPA there were 383,469 registered weeks of the program, 95,428 individual children were served, 170,495 scholarship weeks were provided, 33,629 individuals received scholarships, 3,836 Counselors-in-training, 278 lunch sites were offered, 70% of families paid reduced fees and the average cost per child, per week was \$55.43. More than 6,000 staff have worked for Rec-PAC.
- Ms. Cole stated that the 2024 Dog Daze event was a success with almost 1,000 canines attending.
- Ms. Cole shared that the lifeguards at the Water Mine won the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Lifeguard Competition this year. 54 lifeguards participated in the competition.
- Ms. Cole shared there were over 60 submissions from the "I Love Golf Fairfax" photo contest. One junior and adult winner were each selected at random to receive a pair of tickets to the 2024 Solheim Cup featuring many of the game's best female players.
- Ms. Cole shared that FCPA had four staff members who won at the County Road-E-O event. Dan Maier, Greg Greenhow, Jordan Simpson and Dylan Johnston all won in their respective events. The Regional event will be held in Ocean City, MD.

**BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Kendall mentioned the September 28<sup>th</sup> National Public Lands Day event that will be held at White Gardens.
- Mr. Quincy thanked FCPA staff and the other county agencies for their work at the clean-up at Mantua Park.

Ms. Cole introduced Torsha Bhattacharya as the new Director of the Stewardship and Planning Division and Dianne Quebral as the new Management Analyst who will be supporting the Park Authority Board.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 7:52pm, Dr. Carter made a motion that the Park Authority Board recess and convene in closed session for discussion and consideration of matters enumerated in Virginia Code §2.2-3711 and listed in the agenda for this meeting as follows:

- Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of publicly held 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) & (A)(6).
  - Discussion of property in the Sully District, adjacent to Historic Centreville Park
  - And discussion of Lease Agreement for Park Authority Property in Springfield and Sully Districts.

Seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present, Ms. Godbold was absent.

The Park Authority Board returned to open session at 8:58 pm. Dr. Carter made a motion to return the Park Authority Board to open session. Seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present, Ms. Godbold was absent.

### **CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

Dr. Carter made a motion that the Park Authority Board certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements prescribed by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only 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. Hackman. A roll call vote was held:

Ayes: Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Bill Bouie  
Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ron Kendall  
Faisal Khan  
Ken Quincy  
Mike Thompson

Johna Toomey  
Nays: None

The motion carried by all members present, Ms. Godbold was absent.

**ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

C-1 Mr. Hackman made a motion to authorize the offer range for property in the Sully District, as discussed in closed session; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present, Ms. Godbold was absent.

C-2 No motion necessary.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

**Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director  
Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO  
Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD  
Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division  
Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division  
Brendon Hanafin, Director, Development Division  
Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division  
Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division  
Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management and Interpretation Division  
Torsha Bhattacharya, Director, Stewardship and Planning Division  
Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer  
Allison Rankin, Management Analyst  
Dianne Quebral, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on September 25, 2024



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Dianne Quebral, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
September 25, 2024**

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:50 pm at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Bill Bouie  
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Maggie Godbold  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ron Kendall  
Faisal Khan  
Ken Quincy  
Mike Thompson  
Johna Toomey

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Girl Scout Troop 50126 of Vienna, also known as The Pickles, presented to the Park Authority Board regarding their volunteer work and Bronze Award Project, Pickles Pick Up the Parks. The project's goal is to support sustainability and remove trash from parks, with a particular focus on the Waverly and Fox Stone Parks in Vienna. The Pickles will be volunteering to conduct a park clean-up on October 27th from 2-4 pm on the W and OD Trail, starting at Clarks Crossing Road and heading west. The public is welcome to join them and support their efforts.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1     Adoption of Minutes – September 11, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Maggie Godbold made a motion to adopt the minutes of the September 11, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present.

**ACTION ITEMS**

A-1           Lake Fairfax Park – Mastenbrook Grant Request – Great Falls Reston Soccer Club  
Bill Bouie made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Grant Request at Lake Fairfax Park submitted by the Great Falls Reston Soccer Club as presented to and reviewed by the Park Operations Committee on September 25, 2024, seconded by Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present.

**MINUTES - APPROVED**

A-2 Endorsement of Park-Related Amendments to RZ 2011-PR-017

Ken Quincy made a motion to approve the endorsement of park-related amendments to RZ 2011-PR-2017, as presented to and reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee, seconded by Michael Thompson.

Mr. Gorham made a substitute motion to add language to amend the original motion “to keep FCPA whole,” seconded by Ms. Toomey.

The results of the Roll Call Vote to amend the original motion were:

Kiel Stone, Chairman, NO  
Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton - AYE  
Bill Bouie - AYE  
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter - AYE  
Maggie Godbold - AYE  
Linwood Gorham - AYE  
Tim Hackman - NO  
Ron Kendall - AYE  
Faisal Khan - AYE  
Ken Quincy - AYE  
Mike Thompson - NO  
Johna Toomey - AYE

The motion to amend the original motion was **APPROVED**.

The results of the motion to approve the endorsement of park-related amendments to RZ 2011-PR-2017, as presented to and reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee and then amended to “keep FCPA whole” were:

Kiel Stone, Chairman, AYE  
Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton - AYE  
Bill Bouie - AYE  
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter - AYE  
Maggie Godbold - AYE  
Linwood Gorham - AYE  
Tim Hackman - AYE  
Ron Kendall - NO  
Faisal Khan - AYE  
Ken Quincy - AYE  
Mike Thompson - NO  
Johna Toomey - NO

The amended motion was **APPROVED**.

- A-3 FY 2026 Non-Recommended General Fund Budget Reductions  
Maggie Godbold made a motion to approve the FY 2026 Non-Recommended General Fund Budget Reductions as presented and reviewed by the Budget Committee, seconded by Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter.

Chairman Stone emphasized that these are Non-Recommended Budget Cuts and this exercise is being completed only at the direction of the County.

The motion carried by all members present.

- A-4 FY 2026 Budget Submission, Fund 10001, General Fund  
Maggie Godbold made a motion to approve the FY 2026 Budget Submission for Fund 10001, the General Fund, as presented and reviewed by the Budget Committee, seconded by Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- I-1 Land Exchange for Langley Fork Park  
No action was necessary.
- I-2 FY 2026 Non-Recommended General Fund Budget Reductions  
No action was necessary.
- I-3 FY 2026 Budget Submission, Fund 1001, General Fund  
No action was necessary.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone shared that there will be a Joint PAB/BOS meeting on Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am.
- Mr. Stone shared that there will be a Federation of Friends meeting on November 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30 pm at Green Spring Gardens.
- Mr. Stone mentioned that Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> is National Public Lands Day and volunteer events are being coordinated in each magisterial district. He will be attending an event with Supervisor Lusk and Executive Director Jai Cole at the Franconia Rec Center that morning.

#### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Ms. Cole shared that the Budweiser Clydesdales and Dalmatian Team held a public appearance at Frying Pan Farm Park on September 17, where more than 4,500 visitors and 3,100 cars came to visit.

- Ms. Cole shared that Riverbend Park hosted the Native American Heritage Festival on September 14, with almost 1,000 attendees, who were joined by representatives of the Rappahannock, Chickahominy, Mattaponi and Upper Mattaponi Tribes.
- Ms. Cole recounted that the Park Authority partnered with Supervisor Bierman, Opportunity Neighborhoods and Defensores de la Cuenca (Watershed Defenders) to celebrate Latino Conservation Week with Salsa in the Parks at Alabama Drive Park in Herndon. The inaugural event included the Park Authority's Wonder Wagon, handmade salsa and chips, games, exhibits and dancing and was very positively received by the community.
- Ms. Cole recounted that the Park Authority joined with Supervisor Walkinshaw, the History Commission, the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust and the Braceland Family to celebrate Historic Oak Hill with tours, exhibits and a panel discussion on September 21st.
- Ms. Cole celebrated that the 2024 Virginia Recreation and Parks Society Awards recognized the Fairfax County Park Authority for the Most Creative Marketing Strategy for *Skate the Wake* and the Best New Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Initiative with *Parks on Ice*.
- Ms. Cole reviewed the updated Park Authority Organization Chart and RECENT structural changes at the Division level.

#### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Kendall will celebrate National Public Lands Day on September 28<sup>th</sup> at White Gardens and thanked the staff at Greenspring Gardens, Park Authority Headquarters and the Friends groups for planning an event at White Gardens.
- Ms. Toomey thanked the Pickles Girl Scout Troop for coming to visit the Fairfax County Park Authority Board and for their stewardship on trash removal.
- Mr. Thompson requested a presentation from the MarComm Committee at an upcoming board meeting.
- Ms. Godbold announced that on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, the Parktoberfest celebration will be held, featuring live music, local food and beverages, which will be a fun time.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:21pm.

#### **Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

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Minutes Approved at Meeting on October 9, 2024



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Dianne Quebral, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
October 9, 2024**

At the beginning of the Communications and Community Engagement Committee Meeting at 5:50 pm, the following was read by Chairman Kiel Stone to allow for the meeting to proceed in a virtual format.

In order to conduct this meeting wholly electronically and to make certain findings for the record to evidence compliance with Virginia Code 9.2-3708.2, there were actions that needed to be taken prior to conducting business.

Audibility of Members' Voices

Chairman Stone conducted a roll call vote to ensure that each member's voice could be heard and to state the location from which they were participating in the meeting.

**Board Member Participating:**

Maggie Godbold, Vice-Chair  
Cynthia Jacobs Carter, Secretary  
Timothy Hackman, Treasurer  
Bill Bouie  
Linwood Gorham  
Ron Kendall  
Faisal Khan  
Ken Quincy  
Mike Thompson  
Johna Toomey  
Kiel Stone, Chairman

**Location:**

Residence in Sully District  
Residence in Franconia District  
Residence in Dranesville District  
Residence in Hunter Mill District  
Residence in Mount Vernon District  
Residence in Mason District  
Residence in Providence District  
Residence in Providence District\  
Residence in Springfield District  
Residence in Dranesville District  
Office at GMU in Braddock District

Mr. Stone made a motion that each member's voice may be adequately heard by each other member of this board; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton was absent.

Need for an Electronic Meeting

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board will hold an all-virtual public meeting because circumstances warrant the holding of an all-virtual public meeting, including, but not limited to, the convenience of an all-virtual meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton was absent.

**All-Virtual Public Meeting May be Properly Held**

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board has not had more than two all-virtual public meetings, or more than 50% of its meetings rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater, during the calendar year since the emergency order was lifted; and the Park Authority Board's last meeting was not an all-virtual public meeting; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton was absent.

Mr. Stone made a motion that the Park Authority Board conduct this meeting electronically through a dedicated video- and audio- conferencing line, and that the public may access this meeting by calling 602-333-0032 and entering access code 646450; seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton was absent.

**All-Virtual Public Meeting Requirements are Met in Conformance with Park Authority Board Written Policy**

Mr. Stone made a motion that the meeting of the Park Authority Board to be held this day is in conformance with this body's all-virtual public meeting policy and as such:

- i. The meeting notice indicated that the public meeting will be all-virtual, and the notice stated that that the method by which the Park Authority Board chose to meet would not be changed unless the Park Authority Board provided a new meeting notice in accordance with Va. Code 2.2-3707.
- ii. Public access to this meeting is provided by electronic communication means that allows the public to hear all participating members of the Park Authority Board.
- iii. Audio-visual technology, if available, is used to allow the public to see the members of the Park Authority Board during this meeting.
- iv. A phone number, email address, or other live contact information is provided to the public to alert the Park Authority Board if electronic transmission of this meeting fails for the public, and if such transmission fails, the Park Authority Board will take a recess until public access is restored.
- v. A copy of the proposed agenda and all agenda packets have been made available to the public electronically at the same time such materials were provided to the members of the Park Authority Board;
- vi. The public is afforded the opportunity to comment through electronic means, including written comments, at meetings where public comment is customarily received; and
- vii. There are no more than two members of the Park Authority Board together in one physical location.

Mr. Hackman seconded the motion. The motion carried by all members present, Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton was absent.

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:36 p.m. via Microsoft Teams.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – September 25, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Maggie Godbold made a motion to adopt the minutes of the September 25, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Bill Bouie. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton was absent.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director for FCPA shared the Director's Matters on behalf of Director Jai Cole.
- We had great turnout for National Public Lands Day with dozens of volunteers to support numerous projects across Fairfax County parks from cleaning trails to landscaping and beautification efforts. FCPA Chairman Stone, FCPA Board member Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter and FCPA Director Jai Cole joined Supervisor Lusk for a commemorative event at Franconia Rec Center. More than 200 hours of community service were logged at that single event!
- FCPA's second futsal court opened at Stratton Woods Park in Reston with a ribbon-cutting ceremony October 3rd. The project was made possible due to a partnership with the Volkswagen Group of America and the Great Outdoors Fund. The US Men's National Futsal Team hosted a demo and a free clinic for local youth as part of the event!
- Ellanor C. Lawrence Park Friends group hosted Parktoberfest on October 5, their annual fundraiser to support the park. Almost 2,000 visitors enjoyed food, live music, games and activities and shopping from 21 artisans in the Centreville area. The Woodlands Stewardship Education Center interpretive LOOP was packed and featured a quartet performing in the main room.
- More than a dozen upcoming events for October were shared with the Park Authority Board including the Farm Harvest Festival and numerous Halloween-themed events.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Quincy acknowledged the numerous accomplishments from FCPA employees and the team. Kudos to the team and the Board!

- Ms. Godbold thanked FCPA staff for their tremendous support and efforts for such a successful Parktoberfest event at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park.
- Mr. Hackman announced that on October 20 from 4-6 pm at Lewinsville Park in McLean in the Dranesville District, some of the local trails and rec committees will be holding a Celebration of Trees event. All are welcomed to attend.
- Ms. Toomey added her gratitude to staff for all the awesome presentations and accomplishments. She will be joining Mr. Hackman at the Celebration of Trees Event.
- Dr. Jacobs Carter thanked the staff and volunteers who supported and volunteered for National Public Lands Day. She expressed her gratitude for the magnificent accomplishments of FCPA staff during the second quarter of 2024 and she's looking forward to a fabulous 2025.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned meeting at 7:43 pm.

### Participating Staff:

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

Brendon Hanafin, Director, Development Division

Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division

Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division

Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management and Interpretation Division

Michael Peter, Director, Business Administration Division

Torsha Bhattacharya, Director, Stewardship and Planning Division

Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer

Allison Rankin, Management Analyst

Dianne Quebral, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on October 23, 2024



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Dianne Quebral, Management Analyst

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
October 23, 2024**

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 8:10 pm at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Bill Bouie  
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Maggie Godbold  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ron Kendall  
Ken Quincy  
Mike Thompson  
Johna Toomey

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

Faisal Khan

**Location:**

Residence in Providence District

During the Budget Committee meeting at 6:43 pm, Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants are able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Mr. Faisal Khan.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Khan’s voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Mr. Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority’s Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Member Faisal Khan be permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person.

**MINUTES - APPROVED**

Mr. Khan participated in the meeting virtually due to medical reasons.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

ADMIN-1 Board Resolution To Honor Mike Bonneville, Rec-PAC Program Manager, for 24 Years of Service to the Park Authority

Ms. Godbold made a motion to approve the resolution honoring Mike Bonneville, Rec-PAC Program Manager, for 24 years of service, seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present.

ADMIN-2 Adoption of Minutes – October 9, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting

Maggie Godbold made a motion to adopt the minutes of the October 9, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Tim Hackman. The motion carried by all members present.

ADMIN-3 Adoption of CY 2025 Board Meeting Schedule

Ms. Godbold made a motion to approve the 2025 Park Authority Board Meeting Schedule, seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all other members present.

**ACTION ITEMS**

A-1 Approval to Advertise Proposed Fee

Mr. Hackman made a motion to advertise the proposed fee changes from October 30, 2024-November 29, 2024, as presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee on October 23, 2024, seconded by Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present.

A-2 Approval of the Planning and Development Division Annual Work Plan for FY 2025

Ms. Godbold made a motion to approve the Planning and Development Division Annual Work Plan for FY 2025, seconded by Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter. Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton abstained from the vote. The motion carried by all other members present.

A-3 Allocation of Funds and Consultant Scope of Services for 2026 Needs Assessment

Mr. Bouie made a motion to approve the reallocation of funds and scope of services to provide consultant support for the 2026 Needs Assessment, seconded by Mr. Hackman. The motion carried by all members present.

- A-4      Audrey Moore Recreation Center Renovation Budget Strategy  
Mr. Hackman made a motion to approve the budget strategy for the Audrey Moore Recreation Center project, seconded by Mr. Gorham. The motion was passed with the following roll-call vote results:

The results of the Roll Call Vote to amend the original motion were:

Kiel Stone, Chairman, AYE  
Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton - AYE  
Bill Bouie - AYE  
Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter - AYE  
Maggie Godbold - AYE  
Linwood Gorham - AYE  
Tim Hackman - AYE  
Ron Kendall - NO  
Faisal Khan - AYE  
Ken Quincy - AYE  
Mike Thompson - AYE  
Johna Toomey - AYE

The motion was **APPROVED**.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- I-1      Equity Study Outreach Update  
No action was necessary.
- I-2      Update on the Golf Industry and Golf Financial Performance  
No action was necessary.
- I-3      Planning and Development Division Quarterly Project Status Report  
No action was necessary.
- I-4      Update on Park Operations Projects from April to June 2024  
No action was necessary.
- I-5      Natural Resource Management Plan – FY 2024 Accomplishments and FY 2025 Implementation Plan  
No action was necessary.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Stone shared that the Joint PAB/BOS meeting has been moved to February 11, 2025, at 3:00 pm.
- Mr. Stone shared that there will be a Federation of Friends meeting on November 6, 2024, from 5:30 – 7:30 pm at Green Spring Gardens and all board members are welcome to attend.
- Mr. Stone mentioned that December 13, 2024, is the Park Authority Board Holiday Dinner at Laurel Hill Golf Course.
- Budget meetings with the members of the Board of Supervisors have commenced and we have completed three thus far. The majority have been scheduled and will be completed soon.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Registration opened October 22, 2024, for Winter camp registration for more than 75 winter camp experiences to keep kids engaged while school is out. Camps cover a wide variety of interests including arts, sports, cooking, nature, history, outdoor adventures and STEM programs. Winter camps run from December 8, 2024 -February 17, 2025.
- We held our Trailblazers Awards and event at Lake Fairfax, which are planned by staff, for staff, a favorite event and really awesome. Trailblazers is an annual tribute to the phenomenal staff who are performing amazing achievements each and every day. Team and Individual awards were presented, honoring staff in several categories including Stewardship and Sustainability; Healthy Lifestyles; Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; Customer Service; and our yearly awards for park site, team, project, supervisor and employee.
- Roots of Leadership Tree Planting was held to honor former Supervisor Penny Gross at Mason District Park in her honor. Supervisor Gross has been a champion of FCPA parks, trails, recreation and conservation throughout the county, but especially in the Mason District and especially at Mason District Park. A Southern Magnolia tree was planted in her honor, adjacent to the Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez field.
- Director Cole reviewed the many exciting and fun events coming up for Halloween in the parks. In addition, she mentioned:
  - Poetry in the Park Sign Dedication on November 1 at 4:00 pm at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park;
  - A Playground Ribbon Cutting at Muddy Hole Park on November 4 at 4:30 pm.
- The upcoming events slide will be a standard for Director's Matters moving forward and we'll send this out to Board members after the meeting on a regular basis. There are lots of fun events coming up.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Gorham thanked Development Division Director Brendon Hanafin for presenting at the Mt. Vernon Magisterial District's Parks Committee on Wednesday, October 18, 2024.

- Ms. Godbold thanked the FCPA staff for supporting Centreville Day. It was a great day, beautiful weather, very well attended and a very successful event.

Dr. Aidoo-Hewton left the meeting at 8:26 pm.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 8:26 pm, Dr. Carter made a motion that the Park Authority Board recess and convene in closed session for discussion and consideration of matters enumerated in Virginia Code §2.2-3711 and listed in the agenda for this meeting as follows:

- Discussion or consideration of the disposition of publicly held 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).
  - **C-1** Discussion of negotiations with a potential PPEA partner regarding Grist Mill Park in the Mount Vernon District;
  - **C-2** Discussion of negotiations with a potential partner regarding undeveloped parcels near Arrowbrook Park in the Dranesville District
- Discussion and consideration of matters enumerated in Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(7) for consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members pertaining probable litigation, where such consultation in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(8) for the consultation with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, specifically: **C-3** Legal proceedings at Backlick Run in the Franconia District

Treasurer Tim Hackman seconded the motion. The motion carried by all members present; Dr. Aidoo-Hewton was absent.

The Park Authority Board returned to open session at 8:59 pm.

### **CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

Dr. Carter made a motion that the Park Authority Board certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements prescribed by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion to convene Closed Session were heard,

discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board; seconded by Ms. Godbold. The motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote of all members present; Dr. Aidoo-Hewton was absent.

#### **ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

- C-1 Mr. Gorham made a motion to add a property located in the Mt. Vernon District to the work plan, as discussed in closed session; seconded by Mr. Bouie. The motion carried by all members present, Dr. Aidoo Hewton was absent.
- C-2 Mr. Hackman made a motion to add a property located in the Dranesville District to the work plan, as discussed in closed session, seconded by Mr. Bouie. The motion carried by all members present, Dr. Aidoo Hewton was absent.
- C-3 Mr. Kendall made a motion to move that the Park Authority Board authorize the filing of a Notice of Participation with the State Corporation Commission in the Application of Virginia Electric and Power Company for Approval and Certification of Electric Transmission Facilities, Case No. PUR-2024-00135, on the terms and conditions outlined by the County Attorney in closed session, seconded by Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter. The motion carried by all members present, Dr. Aidoo Hewton was absent.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 9:06 pm.

#### **Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director  
Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO  
Mike Bonneville, Neighborhood and Community Services  
John Dorsey, Office of the County Attorney  
Joanna Faust, Office of the County Attorney  
Torsha Bhattacharya, Director, Stewardship and Planning Division  
Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division  
Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division  
Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division  
Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management and Interpretation Division  
Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division  
Brendon Hanafin, Director, Development Division  
Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer  
Dianne Quebral, Management Analyst

Minutes Approved at Meeting on November 13, 2024



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Dianne Quebral, Board Liaison

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
November 13, 2024**

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:30 pm at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Bill Bouie  
Maggie Godbold  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ken Quincy  
Johna Toomey

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Faisal Khan

**Location:**

Residence in Franconia District  
Residence in Providence District

**Board Members Absent:**

Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton  
Mr. Ron Kendall  
Mr. Michael Thompson

During the Planning and Development Committee meeting at 6:25 pm, Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants is able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Mr. Faisal Khan and Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Khan's voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Ron Kendall and Mr. Michael Thompson were absent.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority's Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Member Faisal Khan be permitted to participate

remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Ron Kendall and Mr. Michael Thompson were absent.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person. Mr. Khan participated in the meeting virtually due to medical reasons. Mr. Stone conducted another roll call of the members participating remotely at 7:00 pm: Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Dr. Jacobs Carter's voice may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Ron Kendall and Mr. Michael Thompson were absent.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority's Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Member Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter be permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Ron Kendall and Mr. Michael Thompson were absent. Dr. Jacobs Carter participated in the meeting virtually due to personal reasons (travel/work related). Dr. Jacobs Carter has participated virtually due to a personal matter one other time this calendar year.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – October 23, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Bill Bouie made a motion to adopt the minutes of the October 23, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Ron Kendall and Mr. Michael Thompson were absent.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

A-1 Approval for the Use of Revenue Facilities Capital Sinking Fund  
Mr. Bill Bouie made a motion to approve the use of the revenue facilities capital sinking fund for the amount of \$900,000 (PR-000101) for projects identified in the Budget Committee meeting, seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present. Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton, Mr. Ron Kendall and Mr. Michael Thompson were absent.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

I-1 Update on Pickleball Study

No action was necessary.

### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- The Federation of Friends meeting, held on November 6, 2024, went really well. The Chair thanked Board Members Tim Hackman and Ron Kendall for attending. We had great presentations from FCPA staff who updated the Friends groups on the new organizational structure. The Chair thanked the Friends groups for all of their work to be so invested in the park system.
- The Joint Meeting with the Board of Supervisors will be February 11, 2025, at 3:00 pm.
- December 13, 2024, is the Park Authority Board Holiday Event at Laurel Hill Golf Course.

### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS FROM DEPUTY DIRECTOR SARA BALDWIN**

- FCPA celebrated the unveiling of new poetry plaques at both Ellanor C. Lawrence Park and Riverbend Park, as part of Poetry in the Parks. This two-year initiative, a neat partnership, was created by Poet Laureate Danielle Badra, to encourage park visitors to contribute creative writing, poetry and illustrations inspired by park scenes to the digital Poetry in the Parks collection of ArtsFairfax.
- FCPA celebrated the opening of a new playground at Muddy Hole Farm Park with a park activation and a great event featuring the Wonder Wagon. Special guests included Supervisor Rodney Lusk and FCPA Board Member Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter.
- Representatives from 13 different Friends and advocacy groups attended the Federation of Friends meeting hosted at Green Spring Gardens. Marketing and Communications staff shared how they can support the efforts of the Friends groups. Each of the Friend's groups provided an update on recent successes and challenges.
- Deputy Director Baldwin reviewed the many exciting and fun holiday events including:
  - Two events at Colvin Run Mill:
  - Holiday Lantern Tour on December 6-7, 2024; and
  - Santa at the Mill on December 14-15, 2024.
  - Frying Pan Farm Park will host Holiday on the Farm on multiple dates: December 6-7; 12-14, and 20-21.
  - Burke Lake Park will host Winter Wonderland on multiple dates: December 7-8, 14-15, and 21-22.
- There are two park dedications coming up:
  - McNaughton Fields Park Restroom and Concessions Building: Nov. 16 at 10:00 am
  - McLean Central Park ribbon cutting will be December 7, 2024.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Linwood Gorham thanked FCPA Staff who supported the McNaughton Park concession stand and restroom projects
- Bill Bouie suggested prayers for Congressman Connolly in his battle against cancer. Congressman Connolly attended last weekend’s parade in Herndon, proudly wearing his favorite jacket with the Fairfax County Park Authority logo.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 7:37 pm.

**Participating Staff:**

- Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO
- Aimee Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD
- Torsha Bhattacharya, Director, Stewardship and Planning Division
- Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division
- Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division
- Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division
- Mohamed Ghiwane, Assistant Division Director, Planning and Development Division
- Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management and Interpretation Division
- Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division
- Brendon Hanafin, Director, Planning and Development Division
- Michael Peter, Director, Finance and Administration Division
- Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer
- Dianne Quebral, Board Liaison

Minutes Approved at Meeting on December 11, 2024




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Dianne Quebral, Board Liaison

**Fairfax County Park Authority  
Board Meeting  
December 11, 2024**

Chairman Stone called the Park Authority Board meeting to order at 7:30 pm at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Room 941, Fairfax, Virginia.

**Board Members Present:**

Kiel Stone, Chairman  
Dr. Abena Aidoo-Hewton  
Bill Bouie  
Maggie Godbold  
Linwood Gorham  
Tim Hackman  
Ron Kendall  
Ken Quincy  
Mike Thompson  
Johna Toomey

**Board Members Participating Virtually:**

Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter  
Faisal Khan

**Location:**

Residence in Franconia District  
Residence in Providence District

The Park Authority Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. At 7:31 pm, Mr. Stone stated that Virginia law authorizes the remote participation of Board members provided that a policy exists to ensure that such remote participation is consistently administered. This board has approved Policy 111 – Remote Participation in Public Meetings. Mr. Stone continued that remote attendance must be approved by the Board as long as a physical quorum of the Board is actually present; voice of the remote participants is able to be heard by everyone in the room; and the remote participation comports with the policy.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of the members participating remotely: Mr. Faisal Khan and Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter.

Mr. Stone made a motion that Mr. Khan and Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter's voices may be adequately heard in this location; seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present.

Mr. Stone then made a motion that pursuant to the Park Authority's Policy 111 for Remote Participation in Public Meetings, that Board Member Faisal Khan be permitted to participate remotely in this meeting because it comports with the policy we adopted, and a physical quorum is present here at the Park Authority Board Room, 9th floor, Herrity building. Seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present.

Mr. Stone conducted a roll call of members participating in person. Mr. Khan and Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter participated in the meeting virtually due to medical reasons.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public speakers.

#### **PRESENTATION ITEMS**

PRES-1      FY 2024 Park Authority Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)  
Mr. Malav Sheth and Mr. Zach LeMorta, from the accounting firm of Cherry Bekaert, LLC, presented the financial position of the Park Authority as of June 30, 2024. The ACFR was prepared by staff and audited by Cherry Bekaert, LLC, and was prepared in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Their presentation covered engagement services, overall audit results, required communications with those charged with governance, and future accounting and reporting changes.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

ADMIN-1      Adoption of Minutes – November 13, 2024, Park Authority Board Meeting  
Mr. Bill Bouie made a motion to adopt the minutes of the November 13, 2024, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- A-1              Overlook Ridge Park at the Lorton Debris Landfill Public Access and Use Agreement  
The Board held over its decision on Overlook Ridge Park at the Lorton Debris Landfill Public Access and Use Agreement until the next meeting on January 8, 2025, when staff from the Office of the County Attorney can be available.
- A-2              Lewinsville Park – Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant  
Mr. Hackman made a motion to approve the transfer of a Mastenbrook Grant from the Linway Terrace project to Lewinsville Park, seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present.
- A-3              Approval for the Reallocation of Bond Funds for Staff-Identified Projects  
Mr. Linwood Gorham made a motion to approve the reallocation of funds originally reserved for Mount Vernon Rec Center furnishings, seconded by Mr. Ken Quincy. The motion carried by all members present.

- A-4      Approval of Fee Adjustments to the Published Fee Schedule for 2025  
Mr. Ken Quincy made a motion to approve all proposed fee adjustments as advertised in the 2025 Fee Schedule, seconded by Ms. Maggie Godbold. The motion carried by all members present.

### INFORMATION ITEMS

- I-1      Planning and Development Division Quarterly Project Status Report  
No action was necessary.
- I-2      Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Presentation Information Item  
No action was necessary.

### CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

- Chairman Stone requested staff research the Appalachian Mountain Club to encourage volunteerism, especially with tight budgets.
- Tim Hackman recommended that staff also research the Appalachian Trail Conservancy to explore additional opportunities to engage volunteers in trail work.
- Chairman Stone is looking forward to the joint FCPA and Fairfax County Park Foundation Holiday Reception on Friday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>.

### DIRECTOR'S MATTERS FROM DEPUTY DIRECTOR SARA BALDWIN

- Deputy Director Baldwin recognized staff for their exemplary work in ensuring FCPA had a clean and successful audit.
- FCPA's Wonder Wagon, launched in April 2024, has reached over 7,000 individuals and made over 100 visits throughout the county to Title 1 schools, public libraries, local non-profit groups, community festivals, senior centers, and community resource fairs!
- There was a ribbon-cutting to celebrate the completion and opening of the McNaughton Fields restrooms and concessions building. There was tremendous community involvement as Woodlawn LL raised \$200,000 to support the construction of the \$1million building.
- Deputy Director Baldwin reviewed the many exciting and fun holiday events including:
  - Santa at the Mill, Colvin Run Mill, on December 14-15, 2024.
  - Frying Pan Farm Park will host Holiday on the Farm on December 12-14; and 20-21.
  - Burke Lake Park will host Winter Wonderland on December 14-15; and 21-22.
- Coach Vasilios Rajendra, a dedicated volunteer golf coach at the Oakmont Golf Center, was awarded the First Tee of Greater Washington, DC's Raul Colon Volunteer of the Year Award! The highlight reel recognizing Coach Vasilios can be viewed at [https://youtu.be/-9tv1xbeVv0?si=6GDkt8nedz\\_5Legh](https://youtu.be/-9tv1xbeVv0?si=6GDkt8nedz_5Legh).
- First Hike returns Wednesday, January 1, 2025, which is an incredibly popular and creative family tradition to start the new year off on the right foot in FCPA Parks and along our trails! There is a First Hike Photo contest and more details on rules can be found at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/first-hike](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/first-hike). Photos should be submitted by Noon on January 2, 2025.

- Deputy Director Baldwin thanked staff for an amazing 2024. Several of the highlights are:
  - PROSA was American Planning Association (Virginia) Plan of the Year
  - Woodlands Stewardship Education Center received the James M. Scott Exceptional Design Award
  - Skate the Wake and Parks on Ice Initiatives won VRPS honors
  - Cub Run Rec Center Energy Improvements won 1st Place in Regional Tech Awards by ASHRAE
  - Golf Courses and Training Facilities received national and local acclaim
  - Archaeology and Collections Branch received the Michael Hoffman Award for Excellence from the Council of Virginia Archaeologists
  - Park Amenity Locator Tutorial Video won the National Association of Government Communicators' Golden Screen Award
  - Twelve lifeguards received commendations from the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department for their role in life-saving efforts
  - Four Park Operations Employees earned multiple top-three finishes at the annual ROAD-EO skills competition
  - Five employees were recognized by Cox Communications for outstanding contributions to the park system
  - Forty-three employees awarded Outstanding Performance and Team Awards from Fairfax County
  - Kim Young received the county's A. Heath Onthank Award – the highest honor bestowed upon a county employee; and
  - Three-hundred forty-seven (347) employees were recognized by their peers with our PRAISE Awards

## **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Ken Quincy thanked staff and FCPA board members for all the great work this year and looks forward to another great year in 2025!
- Mr. Linwood Gorham reiterated Ken Quincy's thanks and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.
- Mr. Ron Kendall wished everyone Happy Holidays.
- Dr. Abena Aidoo Hewton thanked everyone for their hard work and wished everyone Happy Holidays.
- Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter thanked staff for their great work and wished everyone a happy holiday season.
- Mike Thompson has received a lot of calls and outreach over the last 48 hours asking why FCPA was closing Hidden Pond Nature Center, and he explained that this was a rumor and he was actively working in his area to correct any disinformation.
- Ms. Johna Toomey reiterated the great work of the staff and the breadth and depth of expertise and wished everyone a happy holiday season.
- Mr. Bill Bouie thanked staff for a great year and he's looking forward to another great year in 2025. Reston Community Center (RCC) is about to roll out their own welcome wagon. Mr. Bouie congratulated Leila Gordon, who is retiring this month after 40 years of service in

Fairfax County. Ms. Gordon has been a great partner to the FCPA and has served 16 years at the Reston Community Center.

- Mr. Tim Hackman thanked staff for their hard work and wished everyone a happy holiday season.
- Ms. Maggie Godbold thanked staff for a fabulous year and wished everyone happy holidays. Ms. Godbold announced that she will be stepping down from the Fairfax County Park Authority as she is moving out of the Sully district and expressed her great joy in having served on the FCPA Board and wished everyone well.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

### **Participating Staff:**

Jai Cole, Executive Director

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Aimee Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Torsha Bhattacharya, Director, Stewardship and Planning Division

Ryan Carmen, Director, Golf Enterprises Division

Josh Colman, Director, Park Services Division

Kim Eckert, Director, Park Operations Division

Laura Grape, Director, Resource Management and Interpretation Division

Daidria Grayson, Director, Marketing and Communications Division

Heather Lynch, Project Coordinator, Planning and Development Division

Michael Peter, Director, Finance and Administration Division

Mohamed Ghiwane, Assistant Division Director, Planning and Development Division

Kelly Sackett, Financial Specialist, Finance and Administration Division

Ben Boxer, Public Information Officer

Dianne Quebral, Board Liaison

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