## Fairfax County Park Authority Board Meeting March 9, 2016

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

#### **Board Members:**

William G. Bouie, Chairman Ken Quincy, Vice Chair Michael W. Thompson, Jr., Secretary Walter Alcorn Edward R. Batten, Sr. Mary Cortina\* Maggie Godbold Linwood Gorham Faisal Khan Frank S. Vajda Anthony J. Vellucci Grace Han Wolf

### **Staff Present:**

Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO Aimee Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD Judy Pedersen, PIO David Bowden Dan Sutherland Barbara Nugent Cindy Walsh Peter Furey

#### Absent\*

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No speakers were present.

# **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes – February 24, 2016, Park Authority Board Meeting Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2016, Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried; Ms. Wolf and Mr. Alcorn abstained and Ms. Cortina was absent.

# **ACTION ITEMS**

- A-1 <u>Hollin Hall Park Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request Fort Hunt Little League (Mount Vernon District)</u> Mr. Gorham made a motion to approve Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from Fort Hunt Little League in the amount of \$16,577.87 to renovate the infields on fields 1 and 2 at Hollin Hall Park; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried, Ms. Cortina was absent.
- A-2 <u>Allocation of Bond Premiums and Reallocation of Project Fund Balances for Completed</u> <u>Projects from the 2008 and 2012 Park Bonds</u>

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the allocation of bond premiums and reallocation of project fund balances for completed projects from the 2008 and 2012 Park Bonds to fund the following Projects:

- Greendale Golf Course Slope Stabilization
- Lake Fairfax Park Main Roadway Bridge Replacement
- Oak Marr Park Golf Course Driving Range Improvements
- Audrey Moore RECenter Boiler Replacement
- Twin Lakes Golf Course Lakes Course Bunker Upgrades
- Colvin Run Mill Historic Millrace Slope Stabilization
- RECenter Lifecycle Renovations
- RECenter System-wide Feasibility Study
- Countywide Outdoor Recreation Facilities Study
- Clarks Crossing Park Infrastructure Completion
- Pine Ridge Park Synthetic Turf Field Expansion

Seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried; Ms. Cortina was absent.

- A-3 <u>Approval of the Revenue Facilities Capital Sinking Fund Project List</u> Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the Revenue Facilities Capital Sinking Fund (PR-000101) Project List; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried; Ms. Cortina was absent.
- A-4 <u>Approval of Fee Adjustments to the Published Fee Schedule for 2016</u> Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the fee adjustments to the published fee schedule for 2016; seconded by Mr. Vajda. The motion carried; Ms. Cortina was absent.
- A-5 <u>Approval Revisions to Policy 206 Museum and Archaeological Collections with</u> <u>Appendix 15 and Policy 207 Live Collections Management with Appendix 16.</u> Mr. Vajda made a motion to approve the revisions to Policy 206 Museum and Archaeological Collections with Appendix 15 and Policy 207 Live Collections Management with Appendix 16; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried; Ms. Cortina was absent.
- A-6 <u>Institutional and Professional Code of Ethics for Museum Operations of the Fairfax</u> <u>County Park Authority</u> Mr. Vajda made a motion to approve the Institutional and Professional Code of Ethics for Museum Operations of the Fairfax County Park Authority; seconded by Messrs. Khan and Thompson. The motion carried; Ms. Cortina was absent.
- A-7 <u>Scope Approval Poplar Ford Park Helping Our Land Heal Project (Sully District)</u> Ms. Godbold made a motion to approve the project scope for Poplar Ford Park Helping

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Our Land Heal Project; seconded by Messrs. Quincy and Thompson. The motion carried; Ms. Cortina was absent.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- I-1 <u>FY 2016 Mid-Year Budget Review, fund 10001, General Fund</u> No action was necessary.
- I-2 <u>FY 2016 Mid-Year Budget Review, Fund 80000, Park Authority Revenue and Operating</u> <u>Fund</u> No action was necessary.

## **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Bouie thanked staff and the Park Authority and Park Foundation Boards for a fantastic retreat held on Saturday, March 5, at Frying Pan Farm Park. A number of things were accomplished and were able to set the tone for the year. Definitions were set to reach further than in the past. They discussed adding new members to the Foundation Board. Foundation Board chair, Bruce McLeod, was very pleased with the cooperation of the Park Board.
- Parks is still waiting to find out what the final bond number will be, which will be presented at the meeting on March 23. Mr. Bouie stated that Parks has some exciting opportunities to partner with the Board of Supervisors to do some great things with some of the additional money.

## **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- In Mr. Kincannon's absence, Deputy Director/COO, Sara Baldwin, reported that Parks had the opportunity to present its LOBs to the Board of Supervisors. The presentation was very well-received and the Board was very impressed with the matrix and the enthusiasm of our director. Chairman Bulova pointed out in her March newsletter that Parks is an agency that has found efficiencies through the difficult economic times. Staff is pleased with the way the presentation went and will share it with the board in the coming weeks.
- Deputy Director/CBD, Aimee Vosper, provided information regarding the Virginia Assembly's action on the bill regarding proffers. The governor signed SB-549 on Tuesday, March 8. It will go into effect on July 1, 2016.

The legislation requires that proffers may only address impacts that are specifically attributable to proposed development. In addition, all site proffers are further restricted to the needs related to transportation, public safety, public schools, parks, including playgrounds and recreational facilities. That language was added, so Parks is in a better position. The

off-site proffers are allowed only if they provide a direct and material benefit to the residential development that created a need.

The Park Authority's practices are sound and think that the new standard may increase the need for due diligence to make sure Parks can calculate how park impacts are assessed during the development process.

Tysons is in one of those exemption areas and part of Reston will be if it is in a transit station area.

To read the entire bill go to <u>http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?161+ful+SB549ER</u>

• Mr. Bouie added that the board is to be congratulated on the great job it has done as a board and working with the Board of Supervisors. He thanked the board for helping the Board of Supervisors and the citizens experience what a great park system we have.

# **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Vajda had nothing to report.
- Ms. Wolf congratulated staff on the great Instagram account commenting that there is an adorable video of pigs at Frying Pan Farm Park.
- Mr. Vellucci thanked staff for the Federation of Friends meeting that they put together and for the joint retreat for the Park Foundation and Park Authority Boards.

He reminded the board that there will be a public information meeting regarding the Lake Accotink Park Master Plan revision at 7 p.m. on March 14, at Cardinal Forest Elementary School. He welcomed board member attendance.

- Mr. Alcorn had nothing to report.
- Mr. Thompson thanked staff for the Burke Lake Park Golf renovation meeting. There were some pointed questions, but in the end folks said they love Burke Lake Golf Course and want parks to do as much as it can.

He thanked staff for the Federation of Friends meeting stating that it was good to see that many people out there. Mr. Thompson has offered to do things to help, but he believes they will go through Bobbi Longworth.

With regard to social media, Mr. Thompson commented that it's great that staff can expand what it's doing.

The joint retreat was wonderful, but he stated that it would be helpful if the Park Authority Board members would consider donating at least five dollars so there is 100% participation. It is an expression on the part of the Park Board as a thank-you to a certain extent. No one should be forced to give. The Foundation is raising so much money for Parks that Parks should care about them.

Mr. Thompson noted that Supervisor Herrity was out of town for the Parks' LOBs presentation and may ask for a meeting.

In the budget cycle they are looking at how to make sure Parks can renovate all of the turf fields throughout the county. In the budget as currently exists, the County Executive is putting in \$500K toward the fund for renovation and is looking toward the athletic community to put in an additional \$500K toward the renovation. He believes the money will be there, but will be done a little differently than before. It will be discussed at the March 16 Athletic Council meeting. With this effort, he understands that the funds are there for at least the next ten years for renovation of all the turf fields as they come up.

• Mr. Quincy agreed with the comments regarding the joint retreat, adding that it was welldone and very valuable.

He reported that he attended the Planning Commission's CIP public hearing on March 3. He commended Dave Bowden for an outstanding presentation during the workshop portion of the meeting and for fielding questions.

The subject of synthetic turf did come up and crumb rubber. Questions that were asked brought to mind the inadequate or misinformation that's out there. It's not as though tire and ground up and thrown on the fields. It's not to say that further study is not needed, but he thinks there is lack of thorough knowledge about how those fields come to be. He received a couple of questions a couple of days afterward. I explained to the best of his ability what was involved.

Judy Pedersen reminded Mr. Quincy that there is a Q&A online about the turf fields. Ken noted that he referred those asking questions to the website.

- Mr. Khan had nothing to report.
- Mr. Gorham thanked staff for dealing with several issues with constituents and sports groups in the last couple of weeks. He stated that he was grateful to have competent staff to help respond to the issues and handle them wisely and peacefully in most cases to the request.

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• Mr. Batten thanked Dave Bowden for his CIP presentation. The Planning Commission from the Lee District commented on it at the Lee District Land Use and Transportation Committee meeting on Monday, March 7. From Mr. Migliaccio to Dave Bowden, a job well-done.

Mr. Batten noted that he would not be able to attend the meeting for the Lake Accotink Park Master Plan Revision on March 14.

He seconded the comments Mr. Thompson made regarding the Park Authority Board making whatever contributions it can to the Park Foundation. It doesn't have to be much, but shows that Parks is in union with what the Foundation's efforts.

• Ms. Godbold indicated that it was fortuitous that the LOBs presentation was held on March 4 because on Monday, March 7, she and Aimee Vosper, Sandy Stallman, and Dave Bowden met with Supervisor Kathy Smith. Ms. Godbold thought the meeting went very well and thanked staff for taking the time to meet with Supervisor Smith.

Ms. Godbold announced that she had made her contribution to the Park Foundation online and recommended that everyone else do the same.

- Mr. Alcorn noted that he had done the same.
- Mr. Bouie extended thanks to Mr. Vajda and Dave Bowden and his team for attending a meeting with the Washington Nationals with regard to Parklawn Park. He is excited about partnering with the Nationals and there is more to come.
- Mr. Vellucci asked about the additional funds for the bond program. Mr. Bouie indicated that there are some specific programs for that money and he would address the additional funding at the next Committee of the Whole meeting on March 23.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Bouie called the meeting to a close at 7:50 p.m.

Michael W. Thompson, Jr., Secretary

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Minutes Approved at Meeting on March 23, 2016

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