Fairfax County Park Authority Board Meeting May 23, 2018 As Amended

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 Linwood Gorham, Treasurer Abena A. Aidoo, Ph.D. Dr. Cynthia Jacobs Carter Maggie Godbold Timothy Hackman Ronald Kendall Faisal Khan Kiel Stone James Zook

Staff Present:

Kirk W. Kincannon, Executive Director Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO Aimee Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD Barbara Gorski Judy Pedersen, PIO David Bowden Barbara Nugent Cindy Walsh Janet Burns Cindy McNeal Melissa Meadows

Mr. Bouie welcomed Mr. Zook to the board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Speaker: David Heagy

Topic: Temperature Control at RECenters

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Adoption of Minutes - May 9, 2018 Park Authority Board Meeting ADMIN-1 Mr. Quincy made a motion to adopt the minutes of the May 9, 2018, as amended Park Authority board meeting; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried; Messrs. Hackman and Zook abstained.

ACTION ITEMS

- Pine Ridge Park Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request -A-1 Annandale North Springfield Little League (Mason District) Mr. Kendall made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from Annandale North Springfield Little League in the amount of \$7,896.49 to improve the fencing on the outfield and batting cages for field 3 at Pine Ridge Park; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present.
- Reston North Park Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program Request -A-2 Reston Herndon Little League (Hunter Mill District)

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant Program request from Reston Herndon Little League in the amount of \$18,818.71 to construct batting cages and dugout covers for field 2 at Reston North Park; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present.

- A-3 <u>Scope Approval Wilton Woods School Site Playground Replacement (Lee District)</u> Dr. Carter made a motion to approve the project scope for the design and installation of replacement playground equipment and other related work at the Wilton Woods School Site; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present.
- A-4 <u>Scope Approval Wolf Trails Park Tennis Courts Lighting Replacement (Hunter Mill</u> <u>District)</u>

Mr. Quincy made a motion to approve the project scope to replace the tennis courts lighting system at Wolf Trails Park; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present.

A-5 <u>Scope Approval – Liberty Bell to Burke Station Park Trail Construction (Springfield</u> <u>District)</u>

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the project scope to construct 2,580 linear feet of 8' wide asphalt and concrete trail and one (1) stream crossing in the Pohick Stream Valley Park near Burke Station Park; seconded by Mr. Quincy. The motion carried by all members present.

A-6 <u>Approval – Franconia District Park Master Plan Revision (Lee District)</u>
Dr. Carter made a motion to approve the Franconia District Park Master Plan Revision; seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion carried by all members present.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- I-1 <u>FY 2018 Third Quarter Status Review, Fund 10001, General Fund</u> No action was necessary.
- I-2 <u>FY 2018 Third Quarter Status Review, Fund 80000, Park Authority Revenue and</u> <u>Operating Fund</u> No action was necessary.
- I-3 <u>Draft Lake Fairfax Park Master Plan Revision for Public Comment</u> Staff is to proceed as necessary.
- I-4 <u>Planning and Development Division Quarterly Project Status Report</u> No action was necessary.

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CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

- Mr. Bouie commented that he had the opportunity to attend his favorite event of the year which is the Children's Naturalization Ceremony at the Sully Historic Site and shared that event with Ms. Godbold on Tuesday, May 22. Twenty-five youngsters ranging in age from 4 to 14 from 14 countries became citizens. The event was absolutely outstanding. Great work was done by staff. He thanked Ms. Pedersen for providing the comments.
- On Tuesday, May 29, there will be a walk through with the Nats for the Bryce Harper complex at Fred Crabtree Park. The actual ceremony will take place on July 16. He thanked staff for putting the event together.
- The concert series will begin soon. Mr. Kendall had provided the Mason District schedule for its summer concert series.

DIRECTOR'S MATTERS

- The Park Operations Division collaborated with surrounding communities, homeowner's associations, civic associations, and scout troops to successfully complete cleanup blitzes at Dunn Loring Park, Luria Park, Monticello Park, Franconia Park, Royal Lake, Centre Ridge North, Alabama Drive Park, Dranesville Tavern, and Horsepen Run Stream Valley Park over the past months. The Park Operations Division would like to thank all staff and the 137 volunteers who assisted with these successful park improvements. Volunteers spent a total of 385 hours on various tasks including mulching, painting, staining, spreading gravel, installing fencing, and removing trash and debris from the parks. As a result, there are three potential communities/associations interested in developing a Park Volunteer Team. This is an FCPA initiative to promote ongoing cleanup and improvement efforts with engaged community members. Parks looks forward to developing these relationships with the community through Park Volunteer Teams and continuing its cleanup blitze efforts that are planned for the fall. For specific information on the cleanup blitzes that were held, the board members can contact Todd Brown in the Park Operations Division.
- The new recreation software program has been installed and is now available to the public. As with any new large system like this we will be working out the kinks and reaching out to customers who encounter customer service issues. Many thanks to John Finegan, Steve Lewis and the entire project team: Bill Farley, Beth Vasquez, Britta Stratford, Jen Braun, Tammy Schwab, Emilie Shumate, Mary Nelms, Don Tubel, Nicole Varnes, Yen Lin, Jim Lear, and Sonam Dua for their very long and hard work bringing this project to fruition. Parks began at 5:30 a.m. and it's up and running with minimal issues. He again thanked the team for its incredible work over the last couple of years to get Parks to this point. It has taken a lot of extra effort to get the job done.

- With assistance from the Park Foundation, Parks is once again honoring military service members and their families with free RECenter access and lakefront amenities on Memorial Day.
- Numerous sites are opening facilities this coming weekend including: The Water Mine, Our Special Harbor which features four new elements donated by the Joey Pizzano Memorial Fund, plus three new picnic shelters and the new train at Clemyjontri donated by the Friends of Clemyjontri. The older train will now be located at Lake Fairfax.
- Mr. Kincannon reminded everyone that the Cardboard Boat Regatta is scheduled for June 2.
- Lake Fairfax Park will host the Taste of Reston's children's carnival on June 16 and 17. They will occupy the lower parking lot beginning June 13.
- A new kayak boarding pier (accessible) will be added to Lake Accotink in the near future and we will be working with the community to officially welcome this new amenity.

BOARD MATTERS

• Mr. Khan welcomed Mr. Zook to the board adding that all the At-large seats have been filled. He commented that Mr. Zook will enjoy serving on this board. It's like a bowl of salad – different colors, different styles, and different sizes, and the nutritional value is very good.

Mr. Khan asked the board members to mark their calendars with the Viva Vienna Festival which will take place on Church Street in Vienna on May 26-28. He recommended bringing their families along.

• Mr. Zook, with reference to the Resource Management Committee item, indicated that he was happy that Parks is working on the western part of the county in terms of the analysis. The hundred acres out there was once known as the Hunter Tract. David Hunter came to the Planning office (DPZ) and said that he would to develop the area, but it was a non-sewered area. Hunter said he would cluster the development and use one unit to the five acres. After studying his plan for about six months, DPZ denied that plan. Following that Hunter asked if the county would be interested in purchasing the property, and it did.

There was a golf course that was approved by the county that saw the market go away and they too asked if the county would buy it. The county took out a sewer investment to buy it.

There were several other investments in that area and he is pleased that Parks is looking at that area.

Playing with parks has been a passion and he has enjoyed that equally to his land use responsibilities.

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• Dr. Carter welcomed Mr. Zook to the board.

She reminded the board that there will be a rainbow ribbon cutting for the new trail, marking Trails Day, at the Lee District Family Recreation Area in Chessie's area on June 2 at 2 p.m.

• Ms. Godbold reported that she had attended the Children's Naturalization Ceremony for the first time on Tuesday, May 22, at Sully Historic Site. It was a real honor to be able to participate.

She reminded everyone to submit their nominations for the Elly Doyle Park Services Awards, which are due June 15.

She will miss the next meeting but will be back to attend the CAPRA events.

• Mr. Kendall stated that despite the rain on Saturday, May 19, a successful plant sale was held at Green Spring Gardens; over 1,600 adults showed up which was very good for plant sales.

He thanked Ms. Baldwin and Ms. Vosper for meeting with him and Supervisor Gross to review the Friends Policy. He thinks they are in a clear and concise position now to work with whatever they are going to do in the Mason District with the Friends groups and Volunteer Groups.

- Mr. Hackman extended a public welcome to Mr. Zook. He looks forward to Mr. Zook's expertise on the board. He is a great addition and will enjoy all his colleagues.
- Mr. Stone had nothing to report.
- Dr. Aidoo welcomed Mr. Zook to the board who cut short her new kid on the block. She said she was hoping for a few more months, but she is glad he has joined the board.
- Mr. Gorham also welcomed Mr. Zook.

With regard to the redevelopment of the Original Mount Vernon High School things will begin happening again around June 19 or 20. Alexandria Company will present three plans to various groups of people in the county beginning with county staff followed by the Steering Committee. He indicated that Parks will try to get someone to come to the board on June 27 to talk to the board about the plans.

Mr. Thompson welcomed Mr. Zook.

The Sports Tourism Task Force will meet on May 30 which should be the second to the last meeting before the interim report is made available to the Board of Supervisors and work through that process.

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There have been some concerns about the quality of the softball fields; some complaints about a month and a half ago. The softball folks came to the Athletic Council last week and had nothing but praise for the maintenance folks taking care of all the fields to get them up and running. He is sure that water had an impact over the last week, but the softball folks are excited that with the ability Parks has to get them up and running.

• Mr. Quincy welcomed Mr. Zook, commenting that he would find this to be a great salad.

Mr. Quincy stated that he was sorry to miss the Children's Naturalization Ceremony, this having been the first one he missed since he has been on the board.

With regard to the Fairfax County Park cleanup Dunn Loring Park was mentioned as one of the initial ones. That park is in his neighborhood and he has received nothing but compliments from the residents as well as the volunteers; everybody was happy. It was a great success.

(Mr. Khan left the meeting at 7:53 p.m.)

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:53 p.m. Mr. Thompson made a motion to convene in closed session for

a) Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of 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). The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan was absent.

Seconded by Mr. Quincy and approved by all members present. The motion carried by all members present; Mr. Khan was absent.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Thompson made a motion to certify 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. Quincy and approved by all members present; Mr. Khan was absent.

ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

No action was necessary.

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CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS (continued)

• Mr. Bouie announced that on June 2-4, for those of whom are racquetball, handball, or paddleball enthusiasts, there will be an outdoor tournament at Stratton Woods Park. Over the weekend about 120 players from 13 states will participate. The tournament begins on Friday night, June 1.

He closed the meeting by wishing everyone a very nice Memorial Day holiday and to be safe.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and without objection, Mr. Bouie adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Mich Secretary

Minutes Approved at Meeting on June 6, 2018

Kirk W. Kincannon, Executive Director

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