

Prince William County  
**TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS COUNCIL**

Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

Meeting Minutes  
 June 28, 2022; 6:30 pm  
**Approved by the T&BC on August 23, 2022**

**Attendance**

District	Appointee	Present (in person)	Present (virtual)	Absent
At Large	Amy Latalladi-Fulton			✓
	Bill McCarty	✓		
Brentsville	Tom Coyle			✓
	Liz Cronauer	✓		
Coles	Mike DePue	✓		
	Joe Marshall	✓		
Gainesville	Duane Martin			✓
	VACANT			
Neabsco	Jason Williams	✓		
	Rich Wilson	✓		
Potomac	Raheel Sheikh		✓	
	VACANT			
Occoquan	Eileen Sheridan	✓		
	Neil Nelson	✓		
Woodbridge	David Brickley	✓		
	Lynda Silverstrand		✓	

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Liz Cronauer at 6:30 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Administrative:**

- May meeting minutes were approved through a motion from Eileen and seconded by Bill.
- Bill introduced himself as this was his first meeting he has attended in person.

**Citizen's Time.**

- No citizens in attendance

## County Agency Representatives

### **PWC Parks, Recreation and Tourism.** Erica, Brendon Hanafin

- Erica was introduced as a Landscape and Park designer. She ran the electronics of the meeting. There was no chart package prepared for this meeting.
- There are several employment opportunities at DPRT – Land procurement, proffers, design/build approach for contracting, and T&BC Liaison
- \$17M will be used mostly to repair facilities already in place – some may be applied to Broad Run Greenway.
- ARPA projects include a shared use path within Lake Ridge Park and a VDOT Road at Cotton Mill.
- Bond projects continue with attempts to use grant money to make bond money go further.
- Plan to snap up all proffers from Transportation (about 320 acres)
- Occoquan GW
  - Segment 3 – Preconstruction meeting – done by Fall – happy with contractor capability
  - Segment 4 – working on replacement bridge
  - Segment 6 – in design – still waiting for new flood plain maps
  - Segment 8 – Tanyard Hill – retaining wall and sidewalk – ready to start in July – shooting for 8 foot wide
- Potomac Heritage NST – Feasibility study with VDOT underway – best route between Occoquan and Belmont Bay. There is a new PHNST superintendent.
- They are waiting for funding for the Featherstone project.
- A feasibility study is underway about PWFPP and routes.
- The Metz Wetland boardwalk upgrade is waiting on the funds for the awarded grant – in the meantime they are working design issues.
- For the Powell's Creek crossing, they are conducting a nationwide search without specifying a bridge or boardwalk, just a crossing. This should be released in July. They expect this will be 18-24 months of design starting in September.
- More land has been obtained for the Catharpin Greenway though there is still no funding.
- Long Park Intersection plans are now ready
- Broad Run studies are underway.
- Shenandoah Park will have a ¾ mile trail inside.
- Reading Park planning is just starting.
- Dove's Landing – a public meeting will be held in July (July 14<sup>th</sup>).
- May be using more formal agreements to build trails in future and licensed contractors.
- Cloverdale Park bridge came out very good.
- Matt walked the Landfill Trail and is focusing on signs and blazing.
- There is a potential new trail in Andrew Leitch, proposed by Jason and Rich, to blaze.

### **PWC Department of Planning.** Bryce Barrett

- A Planning Commission meeting was held on June 22<sup>nd</sup> Work session on Comp Plan with BOCS on July 12 – all four chapters. They will finalize all chapters after board meeting. They have major revisions to the Land Use chapter.
- If changes are significant, they may have to rerun transportation model. Otherwise, they hope to release comp plan updates in a week after the board meeting.

**PWC Transportation.** George Phillips, Bryce Barrett

- Bryce is a planner who has newly joined transportation.
- George reported that the shared use path from the Brentsville Interchange to Route 66 on the 234 Bypass has nothing concrete settled about it but it is in plan.
- The Riverside property rezoning between Occoquan and 123 is under review and in negotiations. A focus that transportation wants is the \$4.7M pedestrian bridge. Details about landing zones and ease of use for bike and pedestrians were unknown and will be in the Proffer details. Draft proffers are expected in July. The VRE station the bridge accesses will have capabilities to handle bikes, so it is important that the bridge also supports this. David mentioned how the Woodrow Wilson Bridge was done right for bikes and their landing from the bridge.
- This will go to the planning commission on July 13<sup>th</sup> followed by a recommendation to the board a month later.
- Belmont Bay's rezoning has still not been resubmitted by the developer.

**Discussion by Members**

- Doves Landing Master Plan Resolution
  - Mike collected inputs from all T&BC members over the past month and brought forward a resolution on what should be done at Doves Landing Park.
  - Most discussion centered on adding the boat launch from the new Sinclair Mill site. It was stated that the Occoquan River here is much smaller and narrower than the water one encounters boating at Leesylvania State Park.
  - There are currently no restrictions on horsepower or wakes, however that would be worked by the Parks department after the facility was completed.
  - The resolution received some editing and then was brought forward by a vote through a motion from Eileen and seconded by Bill. It was unanimously approved by the T&BC. It will be sent to Park staff and the BOCS after Amy signs it.

**Organization Representatives' Time**

**Greater Prince William Trails Coalition (GPWTC).** Eileen Sheridan, Vice Chair, Neil Nelson, Secretary

- The quarterly meeting in June had 18-20 people in attendance.
- Liz asked about Heidi's VDOT review and how their concerns match the TBC's concerns about recreational trails lacking mobility focus in the 2040 Comp Plan.
- The next quarterly meeting will be held in October and will likely be part of a trails summit for the Northern Virginia Regional Commission. A planning meeting for this will take place on July 21<sup>st</sup>. Since Neil and Eileen are on the GPWTC, no other TBC members may take part in any GPWTC private meetings, only those that are open to the public.

**Prince William Trails & Streams Coalition (PWTSC).** Neil Nelson.

- Tour of the Towns will take place this year on July 23<sup>rd</sup> starting from Brentsville. More participation is needed.
- The Occoquan cleanup will take place on September 24<sup>th</sup>, National Public Lands Day
- On November 5<sup>th</sup>, REI will sponsor a Neabsco Boardwalk cleanup.

**Mid Atlantic Off-Road Enthusiasts (MORE).** Jason Williams

- No comments

### **Members' Time:**

- Amy:
  - No comments (absent).
- Bill:
  - No comments.
- David:
  - David took part in a 9/11 trail ride along with 20 other bike riders and support personnel. They went 42-72 miles each day (totaling 1200 miles) and visited the Flight 93 crash site, sites in NJ and NY and the Pentagon. He used an e-bike which provide just enough assistance. He expects the next event like this will occur in 2026.
  - He mentioned that he has reservations for McDonnell Lodge in Glacier NP for August 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> and cannot travel on those dates. He was searching for someone to take over these reservations that take over a year to secure.
- Duane:
  - No comments (absent).
- Eileen:
  - Eileen attended a meeting about the "Quartz District" property at Minnieville Road and the PW Parkway with discussions about an internal trail.
- Jason:
  - He spent much of the last month at Camp Pendleton. There are several tough hikes there that lead to great views.
- Joe:
  - Joe mentioned that he just returned from a Rail Trail biking trip to Pennsylvania and rode on one of the same trails (Lower Trail near Altoona) that David did his 1200-mile jaunt on.
  - Joe will not be in town for the July TB&C meeting as he will be out west notching his 50<sup>th</sup> National Park (Great Basin in Nevada) and hiking in Lassen NP and around Lake Tahoe.
  - Joe mentioned that his wife's saxophone quartet, the Dunbar Saxophone Quartet, will be giving a free concert in the Amphitheater at Locust Shade Park on August 14<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM. This might make a nice Sunday outing combined with a hike, mini-golf or bike ride.
- Liz:
  - With the hiring of the new GIS analyst, Liz asked whether TB&C could help collect data for trails that need to be added to the database. She asked for training and a template. DPRT uses the ARGIS mapping system. She was told that Parks will figure out what help they need and get back to the T&BC.
  - Another topic that was brought up was how the Comp Plan only applies to property that is rezoned. If property already has "By Right Zoning" then those people are not obliged to follow the Comp Plan only whatever is required in the DCSM. (which is targeted for updates once the Comp Plan updates are completed). Thus, even though the current Comp Plan shows a trail along Broad Run, those redeveloping the old Golf Course do not have to include it which is a real loss to the county. This is different than in Fairfax County where this is included in the site reviews. Liz suggested more research into this and attempting to change the Prince William County attitudes or rules depending on what is driving this.
- Lynda:
  - Lynda led a short discussion of the reporting of the cleanout of the litter traps – Tim reports on the cleanouts to Micron, the sponsor, who then reports on the litter and flows for environmental credits.

- Her shoulder surgery went well.
- Mike:
  - Complimented the DPRT on incredible progress on various projects moving forward.
- Neil:
  - Neil will be meeting with Matt on Tanyard Hill sections of the Occoquan Greenway.
- Raheel:
  - No comments.
- Rich:
  - No comments.
- Tom:
  - No comments (absent).

**Meeting Recap:**

- We met Erica and Bill
- We welcomed Bryce
- We discussed and passed the resolution on Doves Landing Park.
- We received several updates from Brendon and others.
- July 12<sup>th</sup> will be the 2040 BOCS Work Session
- July 13<sup>th</sup> will have a planning commission public hearing on Riverside.

**Next meeting agenda:**

- Discuss updates to the DCSM and By Right Zoning by Staff
- Tim Miner on Dangerous Intersections
- New 2040 Comp Plan updates to go over
- Other agenda items should be forwarded to Liz by July 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Next meetings:**

At Hellwig: Full T&BC – July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

**Adjourn:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM