

The Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee

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Minutes of the November 20, 2013 Meeting
Loudoun County Government Center Building
Purcellville Room
1 Harrison Street, Leesburg, Virginia 20175

Loudoun Members Present: Chairman Mark Peterson, Vice-Chairman John Isom, Phil Daley, Joan Rokus (proxy), Benjamin Lawrence

Pending Committee Members: Blake Netherwood, Curt Bradley

Loudoun Members Absent: Lynn Gibson

County Staff Present: Judi Burkitt (Planning Department), Marie Genovese (Planning Department), Randy Williford (General Services), Mark Novak, Recording Secretary, PRCS

Guests: Mike Banzhaf (Reed Smith), Richard Kieler (Kettler)

Chairman's Business

Chairman Mark Peterson officially called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

First order of business was to approve the September 18, 2013 minutes. Motion to approve minutes was made by Phil Daley and seconded by Benjamin Lawrence. The minutes were approved unanimously.

The next order of business was a presentation on a County land use application - Goose Creek Club ZMAP 2013-0005 by the Applicant. The Applicant provided background information on the project answering questions from committee members. The Applicant proposes to rezone approximately 27 acres of the Property for PDH-6 uses and 83 acres of the Property for PD-OP uses, including special exception approvals for a golf course, a hotel and a restaurant. A mixture of 33 single family detached dwellings and 125 single family attached dwellings, including up to 20 affordable dwelling units. The Applicant plans, furthermore to develop the balance of the Goose Creek Property with Regional Office and office support uses such as a hotel, a sit-down restaurant, and a golf course.

Next was an update on the status on the removal of Murray's Ford Bridge by the Department of General Services. The project is now in the County's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for funding. Permits have been applied for along with a petition for the abandonment of the right-of-Way that has served as access for the bridge.

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Benjamin C. Lawrence
Joan G. Rokus

Chairman's Updates

The chairman discussed new members pending status. An application for Blake Netherwood has been submitted, waiting on confirmation. The chairman is waiting on application forms from Curt Bradley and Roy Liggett.

Wildwood Farm land development application - comments from Chairman Peterson, on behalf of the committee were received by the developer. The applicant has agreed to place a conservation easement as requested. The applicant plan to provide update in January.

Chairman Peterson provided information on the Potomac Conservancy state of the river (Potomac River) report which can be found online.

Catoctin Scenic River Committee is requesting support form Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Group on historic designation on a bridge that crosses Catoctin Creek. Chairman Peterson suggested a letter in support from the committee. Benjamin Lawrence moved a motion that a letter of support be written, Vice-Chairman John Isom seconded. Motioned approved unanimously

Other Business

There was discussion on whether the committee should follow an approach that James River Association is pursuing on "achieving a healthy James River linking local cleanup plans to Chesapeake Bay water quality goals". Committee would like to work with this group and others with similar approach.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 15, 2014, at 1:00 PM in the Purcellville Room Loudoun County Government Building, 1 Harrison Street, Leesburg, Virginia 20175.

There being no further Committee business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark A. Novak, ASLA
Chief Park Planner
Loudoun County Department
of Parks Recreation and Community Services