

The Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee

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Minutes of the November 19, 2019 Meeting
Loudoun County Government Center
1 Harrison St. SE, Leesburg, VA 20147
Lovettsville Room

Members Present: Chairman Phil Daley, Vice Chair Blake Netherwood, John Isom, Dennis Kruse, Mark Peterson, Jeff Millington

Members Absent: Erin Smith

County Staff/Other Agencies Present: Jefferson Miller, PRCS (Recording Secretary), Erika Cuevas (Loudoun Water), Marie Genovese (Planning and Zoning), Pat McIlvaine (LSWCD)

County Staff/Other Agencies Absent: Tracy Lind (PEC), Karl Mohle (NVRPA)

Guests: Ben Winn, Jack McNamee

Catoctin Committee Members: None

Chairman's Business:

Chairman Phil Daley, officially called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

Second order was to review and approve amended minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting. Motion to approve John Isom, Seconded Blake Netherwood. Motion passed.

Third order of business to schedule next meeting for January 14, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. at Loudoun County Government Center. No meeting in December.

Discussion items:

- Introductions
- Virginia Scenic Rivers 50th Anniversary Celebration:
- The main State celebration will be in Richmond to coincide with River Management Society's 2020 Training Symposium 'Mountain Creeks to Metro Canals', during May.
 - How is the PEC getting involved in the celebration? Possible discussion topic for next meeting
 - Possible local locations for celebrations:

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Blake Netherwood

Committee
John Isom
Dennis Kruse
Erin Smith

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Mark Peterson

- River Creek Community Picnic– Jack McNamee is point of contact
 - Function at the mouth of Goose Creek; tentatively September 2020
- Coordination is desired with Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
- Chairman Daley will discuss with Scenic River 50th Anniversary Committee meeting on Dec 4th.
- Celebrate 20th Anniversary of Goose Creek Association - asking GCSRAC for support
 - Date of celebration - September 20, 2020
 - Location - Aldie Mill
 - Looking for GCSRAC assistance to get elected representative attendance at celebration event or possibly presentation/speaker; GCSRAC is generally supportive
- Possible river cleanups
 - Keep Loudoun Beautiful annual activity on the Goose in April 2020
 - Potential canoe/kayak put-in/take-out locations
Coordinate with Celebration events
 - Potential Locations:
 - Banshee Reeks
 - Potential support for Potomac River cleanup with KLB in August 2020
- Loudoun Soil, and Water Conservation District Arbor Day Celebration
- Historical Walk/Hike (Ben Winn property, Mosby Reservation Area).
- Subcommittee to plan framework - to meet in December

Referrals Updates/Comments:

- Discussion surrounding committee access to referral comments and responses beyond initial application submission of land development applications. How to better receive referrals even if previous comments seem to be addressed.
- Goose Creek East- An increase of building height from 45 to 60 feet.
- Twin Creeks - Potential Goose Creek bridge crossings – (Gloucester Parkway) Discussed why there is a need for two Goose Creek bridge crossings in close proximity; (Russell Branch Parkway, Gloucester Parkway) Historical nature of neighboring property was extensively discussed
 - Motion (Dennis Kruse): Send letter to Board of Supervisors recommending CPAM to remove Gloucester Parkway crossing of Goose Creek by connecting to the Russell Branch Parkway Goose

Creek crossing on east side of Goose Creek and preserving that crossing. John Isom Seconded; (Motion passed 6-0-1, Erin Smith absent) – Action item - Dennis to draft letter. Review draft letter at January meeting or before via E-mail..

- Potential Date for site visit – January 13, 2020 – 1:00pm (rain or shine) 42485 Cochran Mill Road, Leesburg VA, 20175 (Red mailbox – West Lock Farm)

Other Items:

- Potential New Members:
 - Ben Winn
- GCSRAC leadership/organization committee discussion is deferred to next meeting (Subcommittee members - Jeff, John, Blake, Dennis, and Tracy)

There being no further Committee business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM.

Jefferson Miller
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(Recording Secretary)