

The Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee

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Minutes of the November 17, 2020 Meeting
Virtual Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Chairman Phil Daley, Vice Chair Blake Netherwood; John Cox , Erin Smith, Ben Winn, Jeff Millington

Members Absent: Mark Peterson, John Isom

County Staff/Other Agencies Present: Mark Novak, PRCS (Recording Secretary), Erika Cuevas (Loudoun Water), Marie Genovese (Planning and Zoning), Tracy Lind (PEC), Pat McIlvaine (LSWCD), Karl Mohle (NoVa Parks), Dustin Betthausen (NoVa Parks),

County Staff/Other Agencies Absent: Pat McIlvaine (LSWCD), Jefferson Miller (PRCS).

Guests: Jack McNamee (River Creek)

Chairman's Business:

First order of business, Chairman Phil Daley officially called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

Second order was to review and approve amended minutes of the October 13, 2020 meeting. Motion to approve Ben Winn, Seconded John Cox. Motion passed.

Schedule next meeting (or defer until after elections of officers) * see Annual Meeting notes below

Discussion items:

- Introductions - Dustin Betthausen (NoVa Parks) will be taking over for Karl Mohle (NoVa Parks) on the committee.
- Tuscarora Crossing – Respond. No additional comments were provided to the third application revision.
- Scenic River 50th Anniversary – Cancelled Local gatherings. A virtual 'Kick-off' meeting was held on Nov 9 at the Main Street Station in Richmond. The display will remain open to the public thru the end of December.
- Assignment and role of secretary – PRCS will continue in role.
- Review by-laws for potential updates -the last update was completed in Jan, 2018. No apparent changes are needed at this time.

Chairman
Phil Daley

Vice Chairman
Blake Netherwood

Committee

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Mark Peterson
Erin Smith

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Ben Winn
John Cox

- Sponsorship interest/avenues/uses – Discussion on possible need for a web site or other media to encourage interest in GCSRAC mission and accomplishments. Table for future meeting continued discussion.
- New member growth and recruitment interest – Chair Daley briefly reviewed some of the committee’s growth initiative and recruitments since 2017. All agreed that there is a need for continued efforts to attract new members, advisors and friends.
- Reenergizing Fauquier Co. role – Discussion centered on attracting more members living in Fauquier County.
- Goose Creek Assn. and CCSRAC joint interests and cooperation alignment as missions of both have many similarities regarding the Goose Creek despite their organizational structures, objectives and restrictions. Chair Daley noted that Jeff Millington has helped in this as he is currently on the Boards of both organizations and has had Chair Daley attend several of GCA board meetings. Perhaps a more formal arrangement should be pursued.
- Efficacy and evolving future of GCSRAC – Discussion, how to expand GCSRAC efforts to involve more community involvement/interest in the Scenic River Program and Goose Creek in particular. (Tabled for future discussions)
- River Evaluations – Broad Run rescheduled to Spring 2021. (Va DCR and Loudoun PRCS)
- Update Goose Creek Overlook land development application.
 - Planning Commission Public Hearing November 16, 2020. Planning Commission moved to forwarded to December 12, 2020 work session.
- Update Countywide Linear Parks and Trails Plan
 - Consultant selected and given notice to proceed.
 - Working with LPAT Committee and stakeholders

There being no further Committee business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM.

Jefferson Miller
Assistant Park Planner
Loudoun County Department of Parks Recreation and Community Services
(Recording Secretary)

See attached Annual Meeting report below

ANNUAL MEETING: November 17, 2020

Chair Daley reconvened the group as our Annual Meeting at 1:15.

The main purpose of this meeting is electing new officers IAW Article VII of the GCSRAC By-Laws. After some discussion Chair Daley elected to hold separate elections for Chair and Vice-chair positions. He also noted that the position of secretary would remain assigned to a County Staff representative (PRCS currently fills this position.)

Chair:

Chair Daley declined nomination

Blake Netherwood nominated Ben Winn for Chair, Seconded by Erin Smith.

There being no other nominations, Ben Winn will assume Chair duties in January 2021 IAW By-Laws.

Vice Chair:

Members nominated Blake Netherwood and Erin Smith for the position of vice chair. Since this was a virtual meeting, Chair Daley recommended members respond to him via E-mail rather than having a voice vote. He will send out an E-mail to all appointed members of the committee with a suspense to respond by 7:00 pm November 18, 2020. **

The committee discussed whether we needed to hold a meeting in December. Consensus was to not have a meeting in December unless some critical issue arises. Therefore, the group decided our **next meeting will be Tuesday, January 12, 2021, location to be determined.**

There being no further business, the annual meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM.

Respectively Submitted.

Phil Daley
GCSRAC Chair

** Subsequent to the meeting Erin Smith was elected as Vice Chair, GCSRAC taking office in January 2021.