

Mathews County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

Agenda Thursday, February 1, 2024

Call to Order, Roll Call

Approval of January Minutes, Approval of Agenda

Welcome Guests and Public comment period

Interim Chair Comments

Organization reports- Sub-Committees send reports.

Rename Multi-use Parks to “Future Multi use parks”

County owned property and not county owned.

YMCA 2024 Recreational Goals -Justin

Sub-Committee Reports

Multi-use Trails: Statewide Trails Eastern District Advocacy Group for Mathews

Future Multi-use Parks:

County owned

64 Acres near Sheriff’s office

South Bay Haven

Not county owned

Heritage Park

FODR

Pickleball- Recommended adding pickleball courts to Port Fun

Old Business

Tour existing county water access sites – Earl

Existing parks and facilities

Parks Discussion

Other Business

Next meeting: March 7, 2024



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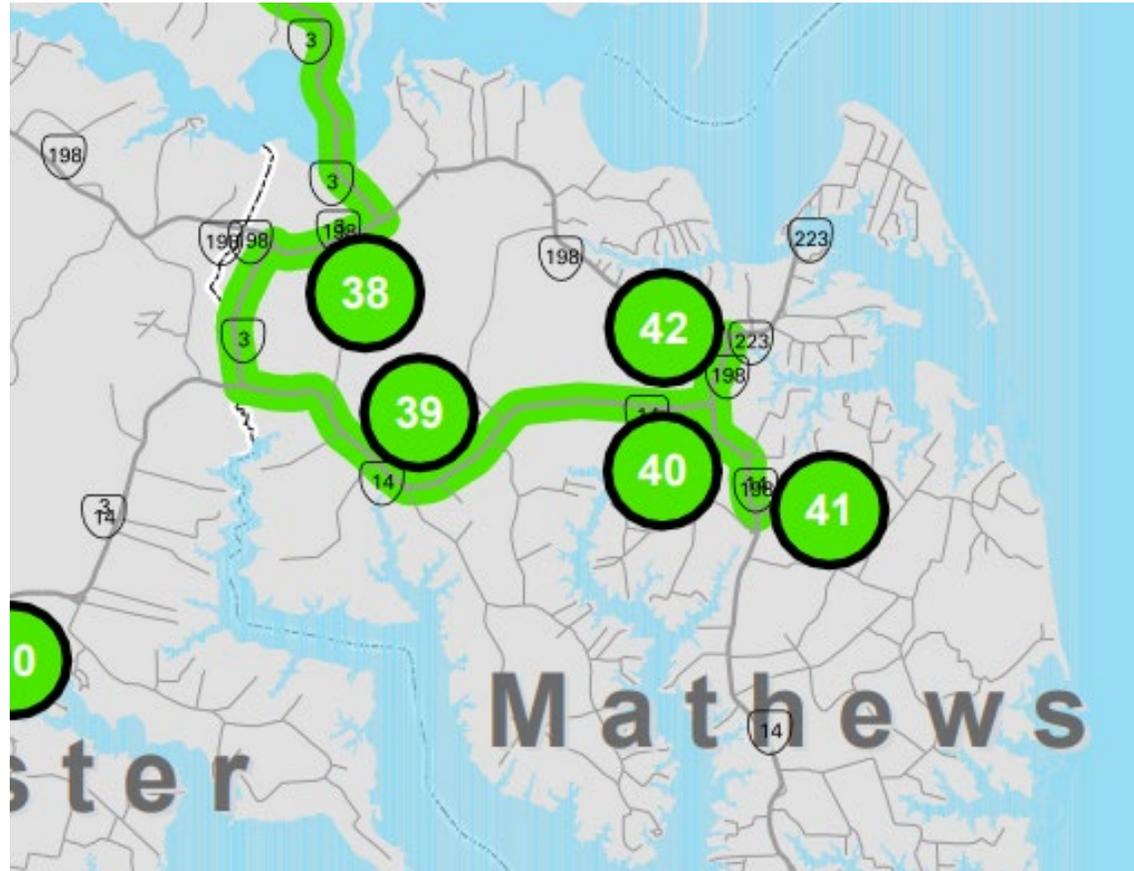
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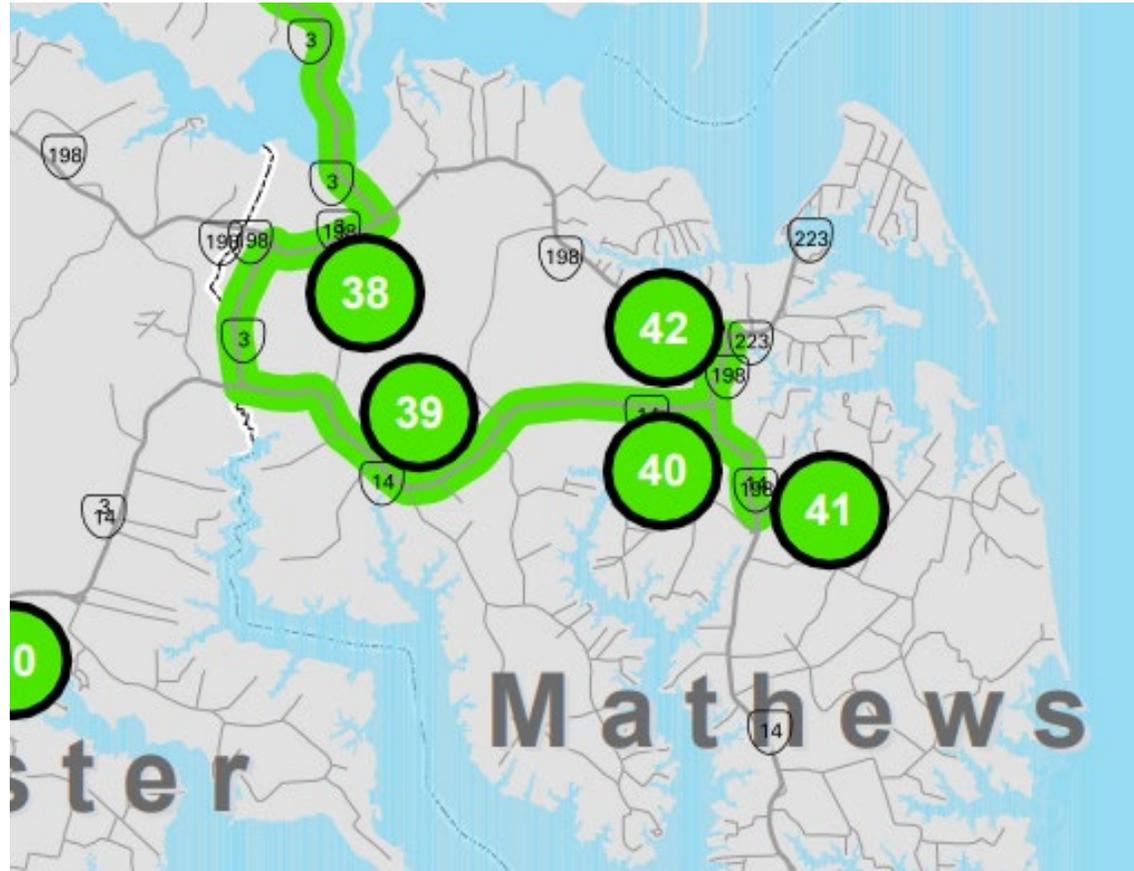
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Mathews County Parks & Rec Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes: Feb. 1st, 2024, 4:30-5:30pm

Chesapeake Community Room, Chesapeake Bank Mathews County

Meeting called to order by Interim Chair- Nick Koch at 4:30pm

In Attendance: Terry Dixon, Amber Moore, Sharon Frye, Nick Koch, Dan Reno, Earl Byrum, Justin Garcia (YMCA Representative), Jean Howard, BOS- Mike Walls & Tom Bowen

Guests: Eileen Koch, Tim Tillage, Jessica Christiansen

Call to Order, Roll Call, Welcome, Approval of Jan. Minutes, Citizen Comments

- Tom Bowen asked that the minutes be amended to state that our meetings are open to the County, this was done.
- Citizen Comments: Jessica Christiansen commented that she was concerned about the Basketball Courts possibly being removed, she felt they should stay. She stayed for the entire meeting to learn the plans.
- Justin Garcia with the YMCA spoke of the 2024 plans, see the report attached
- Mult-Trail Subcommittee
 - Nick requested monthly updates.
 - Nick showed pictures and maps of proposed VDOT projects that could impact the possible trails.
- The Multi-Use Park subcommittee was renamed to "Future Multi-use Parks."
 - The Committee would like the county to consider several county owned parcels including South Bay Haven and 63+ acres near the Sheriff's office as possible locations for parks.
 - Nick will meet with Planning/Zoning etc. personnel to begin this process.
 - Earl reported that the Dragon Run property (not owned by Mathews County) was mostly wetland with very limited access.
- Pickle Ball at Port Fun:
 - Tim Tillage reported that he has getting cost proposal for this project.
 - Pickleball could be located on the current basketball pad if a suitable location for basketball can be found.
 - A follow-up meeting to examine potential locations at Port Fun will take place ASAP. Tom Bowen, Nick Koch, Mike Walls, and Tim Tillage will meet.
 - Jessica Christiansen stated that she wanted to see basketball remain at Port Fun.
 - It was agreed that basketball was important and we would look for a suitable site.
 - Mike Walls reminded the committee that Pickleball is an asset to the county and proceed as quickly as possible.
- Water Access Sites
- Earl Byrum reported on the 4 sites toured by him and Amber.
 - Site one- Roanes Point: permanent 100 foot pier, very nice & do-able, maybe a grant to fix the pier? Water depth 9 feet at 300 feet out, good parking.
 - Site two- Warehouse Cove Landing: small, end of the road location, no parking, some wetlands.
 - Site three- Hallieford Beach: ½ acre, nice, portapot, nice beach, good parking, afFamily beach, water very shallow, you can walk out a ways safely.
 - Site four- Rose Creek Landing: Tim said they are replacing the pier, 20'x24' L Head permitted, \$ approved. Old sailboat anchored off pier, trying to get it removed.
- Earl will send out 4 new locations for all to tour as they can.
- Considering moving our meeting to the Historic Courthouse, will discuss at the next meeting.

Nick Koch adjourned the meeting at 5:30pm, the next meeting will be March 7th, 4:30pm.



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