

Mathews County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission

Agenda Thursday, 4:30 PM, June 6, 2024

Historic Courthouse, Mathews, VA.

Call to Order, Roll Call for quorum

Approval of April Minutes, Approval of Agenda

Welcome Guests

Public comment period

Comments from Chair

Old Business

- Park Ordinance Changes
- Family Port Fun Day- updates and final plan
- Multi use trails
 - Review and comment on May report from Christine Johnson
- Water Access sites review

New Business

- Community communication
- Activities discussion

Second Public comment period

Action Items

Next meeting: TBD

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Minutes for Thursday, 4:30 PM, June 6, 2024

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Call to Order,

Present: Nick Koch, Earl Byrum, Jan Towne, Amber Moore, Sharon Frye,

Buzz Lambert- YMCA, Tom Bowen and Mike Walls-BOS, Amy O'Neil- Mathews Schools,
Eileen Koch, Multi-use parks subcommittee

Motion to Approve minutes and agenda- Jan Towne. Seconded by Amber Moore. Motion passed.

Public comment period

- **John Porter-** comments on bike trails, concern about Church Street intersections and curves
- **Larry Kenny-** comments on bike trails
- **John Craig Lewis-** comments on bike trails and ebikes. Concern about funding

Comments from Chair

- **Subcommittee organization**

Old Business

- **Park Ordinance Changes**
- - **Motion for the following Park Ordinance Changes as listed-** Jan Towne. Seconded by Earl Byrum. Voted and Approved. .
 - **Motion to send Park Ordinance Changes as listed to the BOS for a Public Hearing.** – Jan Towne Seconded by Earl Byrum. Voted and Approved .
 - 3. 11 Hours of operation. No person shall enter or remain in Mathews County Parks from 10PM to 5AM without written consent of the County Administrator, or during authorized events.
 - Exceptions are all Park and Rides- and Fishing ramps (Edwards Landing, Town Point, and Grimstead Public Ramp. East River Boat Yard.)
 - 3. 13 - Sports and games. Athletic fields, tennis courts, swimming pools, basketball courts, and horseback trails shall be determined by future BOS approvals. USA pickleball rules apply at the Pickleball Courts at Port Fun.
- **Family Port Fun Day-** updates and final plan

- YMCA has staff to support
- Pickleball plan, games, and survey has been completed
- Sherry Hamilton will prepare article for Gaz. Journal
- Multi use trails
 - Reviewed and commented on May report from Christine Johnson
 - **Motion**– multi use trails subcommittee to move forward to pursue grants for feasibility study- Jan Towne. Seconded by Amber Moore.
 - Christine Johnson has possible funding sources for feasibility study for bike trails
 - Discussion of rumble strips and VDOT responsibility
 - Tom Bowen will discuss multi use trails with Christine Johnson and VDOT
 - Pictures Attached.
 - Haven Beach will open officially on June 8

New Business

- Community communication – website not yet complete
- Discussion/ recommendations to change meeting times. Nick will research

Second Public comment period

Action Items

Next meeting: August 1, 2024

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