

**Mathews County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission**

**Agenda Thursday, 7:00 PM September 5, 2024**

**Historic Courthouse, Mathews, VA.**

**Call to Order, Roll Call for quorum**

**Approval of August Minutes, Approval of Agenda**

**Welcome Guests**

**Public comment period**

**Port Fun Maintenance and Upgrades**

- **Tennis Courts**
- **Restrooms**
- **Playground**
- **Pickleball Courts**

**YMCA Update**

**Water Access Sites**

- **Pier updates**
- **Eligibility for grants**
- **Litter Picker stations**
- **Hole In The Wall dredging status**
- **Review/comparison with Comprehensive Plan**

**Meeting Time Discussion**

**Community Communications**

**Second Comment Period**

**Action Items**

**Next meeting TBD**

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Minutes

Thursday, 7:00 Sept. 12 2024

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**Call to Order, Roll Call for quorum**

- Absent: Terry Dixon, Sharon Frye, Buzz Lambert, Tom Bowen

**Approval of August Minutes, Approval of Agenda**

- Motion to approve minutes- Jan Towne, Seconded by Dan Reno. Passed 5/0
- Motion to approve agenda- Earl Byrum, Seconded by Amber Moore. Passed 5/0

**Welcome Guests and Public comment period**

Citizen Comments from John Hatch, Judy Rowe, Sarah Lewis, Trish ?, Amy O'Neil. All expressed concern about condition of tennis courts at Port Fun. Problems noted – cracks, uneven surface, water seeping onto court making them unplayable. One court was unusable for Girls Regional Tennis matches.

**Port Fun Maintenance and Upgrades**

- Tennis Court
  - Tim Tillage will submit \$200,000 request for tennis courts to include new surface, fencing, etc.
  - Motion – presented by Jan Towne, Seconded by Earl. Passed 5/0
    - **“This committee recommends to the BOS that the renovation and resurfacing of the Port Fun tennis courts be a priority”**
- Restrooms
  - See handout. This is a line item for this year.
- Playground
  - Rubber mulch is getting compacted in several areas. Jan Towne recommends 6 mats per swing, 8 for slides and mats to allow handicapped access to the equipment. Cost estimate is \$5000. Tim gave vendor contact info. to Jan.
  - Tim has some rubber mulch to be used as needed.
  - Discussion of approaching Civic organizations for help with mat purchase
- Pickleball
  - Courts getting a lot of use. There has been a request for a mat or pad to keep shoe dirt off the court. Citizen request for trees or bushes to help with street noise.
- Basketball
  - Diverter needed to keep balls from getting into ditch.
- Other
  - A gazebo was purchased for school. Location TBD

**Water Access sites**

- East River-
  - DWR grant of \$361,000 with 40% county match.
  - Raise grant may be available if boat launch is built.

- South Bay Haven
  - Grass needs to be cut
- Pier updates
  - Old Mill is done
  - Roane Point- Work starts next week. VMRC may approve 70ft instead of 100ft
  - Rose's Creek- work to start mid-October
  - Edwards Creek- permitting process will begin after Rose's Creek
  - Hole in the Wall- permitting process for new pier to begin later this year.
  - Haven Beach- Mobi matt discussion regarding Tiger Beatles
- Litter Picker Stations
  - Discussion of Civic Organizations for funding
  - Haven Beach – parking lot may be a good spot for first station
  - Parks and Rec to further discuss
- Hole in the Wall
  - Date for finishing dredging to be determined
  - Discussion of breakwater and revetment
- White's Creek and New Point discussion

#### **Meeting Time**

- Motion: Meeting time changed to bi-monthly meeting. Time change to 5:00. Jan Towne, seconded by Dan Reno. Passed 5/0

#### **Community communication**

- We have Facebook account and email.

**Next meeting- November 7 at 5:00, Historic Courthouse**