

**Mathews County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
Agenda Thursday, 5:00 pm May 8, 2025
Historic Courthouse, Mathews, VA.**

Call to Order, Roll Call for quorum

Approval of March Minutes, Approval of Agenda

Welcome Guests

Public comment period

Discussion of:

- ✓ South Bay Haven clean-up -status
- ✓ Port Fun Family Day – June 8
- ✓ Port Fun Update (bathroom, fencing, lights, tennis courts etc.)
- ✓ Rotary Club grant application for mats at Port Fun
- ✓ Plans to walk the property behind the Sheriff's office.
- ✓ Water Access points
- ✓ YMCA
- ✓ Mathews Outdoor Club

Comments from Commission members

Public Comment Period 2

Next meeting July TBD at 5pm Historic Courthouse

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Minutes Thursday, 5:00 pm, May 8, 2025
Historic Courthouse, Mathews, VA.

Call to Order, Roll Call for quorum

- Present: Nick Koch, Terry Dixon, Jan Towne, Tom Bowen, Earl Byrum, Amber Moore, Dan Reno, Justin Garcia.
- Absent: Tim Tillage, Amy O'Neil

Approval of March 6 Minutes

- Motion to accept minutes: Earl Byrum, second Amber Moore Passed 7-0

Approval of March 15 minutes: Jan Towne, second Terry Dixon. Passed 7-0

- Motion to accept agenda: Earl Byrum, Second Jan Towne, Passed 7-0

Approval of the Agenda: Earl Byrum, Second Dan Reno

Public comment period

- No guests present

Discussion:

- SBH cleanup. (6 loads of debris removed by P and R members, Mathews County Facilities and community volunteers)
- Facebook page
- Family Port Fun Day assignments (attachment)
- Mats for Port Fun. Hope to have them for Port Fun Day. Dependent on Facilities availability
- Mathews Rotary will contribute \$1000 toward matting for the merry-go-round. The funds will be available after June 30.
- Tom Bowen would like to explore possibility of a splash pad at Port Fun.
- Walking trails. Nick will try and contact Mr. Ligon for more information
- Cameras at Port Fun for security
- Water Access
 - - Buoy 4a needs relocation
 - Haven Beach- Pipes need removal and Barge is still there
- YMCA-
 - 24 hour access will start June 2
 - In April there were 72 children participating in Soccer
 - Gavin Dustin raised \$400 with 5K race
 - Preschool work continues
 - 2nd grade learn to swim scheduled. All students get one free admission to Busch Gardens
- Litter Picker Station needs to be put in place
- 63 acres- a 3 member committee will look at the property and the land next to high school for zoning possibilities. Tom Bowen stated that the 63 acres has about 55 acres of wetlands
- Next meeting July 10.