The Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee

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Minutes of the October 10, 2023, Meeting PRCS Admin Building 742 Miller Dr SE Leesburg, VA 20177

Virtual Meeting link provided.

Members Present: Chairman Ben Winn, John Cox, Erin Smith

Members Absent: Blake Netherwood, Phil Daley, John Isom, Mark Peterson; Jeff

Millington

County Staff/Other Agencies Present: Mark Novak, PRCS (Recording Secretary);

Pat MacIlvane; Brian Wilson

Guests: Ron Meyer, Tracey Bayard, Kiti Cox (Prospective Member); Jack MacAlese

Discussion Items:

First order of business, Chairman Ben Winn officially called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m noting a lack of quorum, thus no official action would be taken.

- Ron Meyer was invited to report on Belmont Innovation Campus. He asked for the Committee's support on removing the proposed Gloucester Parkway from the county transportation plan. It was noted that the Committee is on record in opposition to this crossing of Goose Creek. He further reported on the Belmont reservation of a 300 foot creek buffer and an additional 200 foot transition buffer, as well as Dominion Energy's lines that will run parallel to Goose Creek in a location that has not been finalized. This area and the transition area will be planted from a native plant list utilized by Dominion. The members expressed interest in reviewing the list.
- It was suggested that the Committee meet with Dominion as early as December on their creek crossing plans, and their proposal to keep the area under vegetation. There was a suggestion that, due to the height of the lines, that taller plantings might be considered.
- Mark Novak reported that the new county land management system still had some hiccups.
- Jack informed the committee that a group of HOAs are seeking funds to eradicate invasive species.
- Mark Novak updated the committee on the Goose Creek Golf Course 2 site that it had previously visited. He says that there is a lot of back-and-forth on potential park easements, and nothing has been settled. The committee will consider inviting the developer to further discuss its plans.

Chairman	Vice Chairman	Committee	
Ben Winn	Erin Smith	John Isom Jeff Millington	
		Mark Peterson Phil Daley	
		Blake Netherwood John Cox	

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Meeting minutes were taken by the Vice-Chairman.

There being no further Committee business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:51 PM.

Ben Winn, Chair Erin Smith, Vice-Chair (Recording Secretary)

Next Meeting Date: December 12, 2023