

**PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
 Thursday, March 21, 2019

The Stafford County Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission held its regular monthly meeting Thursday, March 21, 2019, at The George L. Gordon, Jr., Government Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:52 PM by Kecia Evans.

**SILENT ROLL CALL**

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent Reported</u>	<u>Absent Not Reported</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Guests</u>
<b>Traci Abramson</b>	<b>P</b>			Mike Morris	
<b>Vincent Applewhite</b>		<b>A</b>		Judy Sokolowski	
<b>Thomas Endler</b>			<b>A</b>		
<b>Kecia Evans</b>	<b>P</b>				
<b>Danny Kim</b>	<b>P</b>				
<b>Price Jett</b>	<b>P</b>				
<b>Jay Rucker</b>	<b>P</b>				
<i>Ashley Nduara, YES</i>	<i>P</i>				
<i>Bart Randall, PC</i>	<i>P</i>				
<i>Jamie Decatur, SB</i>			<b>A</b>		
<i>Pamela Yeung, SB alt</i>					
Voting members in <b>bold</b>					

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- The minutes from the February meeting were unanimously approved.

**PRESENTATIONS BY PUBLIC**

- None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Update: Native American Living Village/Use of Duff Green House  
 Price Jett said the Patowomeck leadership met with the Subcommittee of the Board of Supervisors and Economic Development, who voted unanimously to move forward with the resolution for Federal recognition of the Tribe. The Tribe leadership; also met with the Economic Development Authority, who unanimously agreed to move forward with the living village at the Duff Green property. Mr. Jett said the Duff Green family is in favor of the Tribe's use of property.

Mike Morris said he met with the County Attorney, who recommended a lease agreement for the house and the property around the house. The County needs more specific plans for use of

property, which would be included in the lease. The Tribe will also need to submit a business plan as to how the business will operate. The County spoke with Congressman Rob Wittman's office about federal recognition of the Tribe. Since there are two other Tribes seeking recognition ahead of the Patawomeck Tribe, another congressman will take the Patawomeck Tribe's request for federal recognition forward. Mr. Morris said Mr. Jett did an excellent job presenting the Tribe's story to the Board. The story he told was very moving, as commented by several Board members.

#### ***COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS***

- Jay Rucker said visitors at Government Island are picking up dog dung in bags and leaving them on the side of the trail and asked about receptacles and reminder signs. He also thanked all members for coming to the Red Fines Awards Ceremony.

#### ***STAFF REPORTS***

- No questions.

#### ***DIRECTOR'S REPORT***

- Stafford Soccer's St. Patty's Day Tournament will be held this weekend with 200 teams; the highest number of teams ever for this event
- Stafford Baseball will hold a St. Patty's Day Tournament at Chichester Park with 35 teams
- The Make-a-Wish Gymnastics Meet will be held this weekend at UMW with 612 gymnasts and over 1000 guests
- Five boys qualified for the state meet from our new Boys' Gymnastics Program

#### ***ADJOURNMENT***

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

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***Minutes approved 4/18/19.***