

WPCCA General Membership Meeting

Leesylvania Conference Room, Ferlazzo Building

Minutes, May 19, 2011

At approximately 7:10 p.m. the May 19, 2011 meeting of the WPCCA was called to order by Chairman Ron Smith. Mr. Smith reviewed the minutes from the April 21, 2011 meeting, a couple of corrections were made and a motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes, and the minutes were approved.

1. Lynda Silverstrand reported from the Trailways and Blueways Committee that they had received funding from the Prince William County Park Authority for a trail from the Occoquan Wildlife Refuge near Belmont Bay to Leesylvania State Park, with a longer range plan to connect that trail to Prince William Forest Park.
2. Chairman Smith noted that there is a Neighborhood Leaders Forum that meets monthly with very good topics for people interested in their community. Connie Moser indicated that the agenda and topics for the forum could be viewed at pwcgov.org/neighborhoodleaders.
3. There was a good deal of discussion about better advertising for WPCCA and it was noted that there are at least 3 online news outlets which cover this area, including patch.com, potomac.com, and insidenova.com. It was also suggested by Connie Moser that a Facebook page would be a good way to advertise WPCCA and to make the public aware of what the group is doing.
4. Future agenda. The following topics were suggested for discussion at future meetings:
 - A. June – Redistricting on the County, state and congressional levels. It was thought that Colin Davenport could put together a presentation that covers those efforts.
 - B. Presentation on the Occoquan Wildlife Refuge and their activities.
 - C. An appearance by Gerry Connelly with an update on his activities which would involve our district.
 - D. A BRAC update with the BRAC co-coordinator as well as the County's BRAC co-coordinator David Moss
 - E. Invite Nick Evers, Zoning Administrator to give us an update on new ordinances that might be relevant to the Woodbridge area.
 - F. Invite Economic Development to give a presentation on their activities, particularly those that might affect the Woodbridge area.
5. There was discussion about possible future events which would publicize WPCCA and generate more interest in the group. Some possible ideas were: a health fair, farmers' market, and tour of the Occoquan Wildlife Refuge, formerly known as Diamond Labs.
6. New meeting location. There was discussion about trying to find a more central meeting location that did not require fighting rush hour traffic. It was also noted that if the meeting was changed to 7:30 that would probably help as well. Possible locations

discussed were the SeniorCenter, FredLynnMiddle School, OWL Firehouse and the upstairs room at Wegmans. Melanie Wu agreed to look into those possibilities and report back to the group.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m. and a signup sheet of attendees is attached.