



MEMO

To: Parks and Recreation Buildings and Grounds Committee
From: Jon Turkel, Assistant Director *JWT*
Subject: Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting
Date: May 30, 2019

The Buildings and Grounds Committee is scheduled to meet at 10am on June 4, 2019 in the Parks and Recreation Conference Room, 107 N. Kent St, Winchester, VA. Items for discussion include:

1. Winchester Model Railroad Club (WMRC) Request
 - a. WMRC will be presenting their request for space at the Snowden Bridge Park property (**Attachment 1**)
2. Trail at Bowman Library public input meeting schedule
 - a. Public input meeting is scheduled for 6pm on 6/11 at the Bowman Library meeting room
3. Abrams Creek Trail land acquisition
 - a. The County has taken ownership of 8 parcels along Abrams Creek in the trail corridor. The parcels were donated to the County by Thomas G. Scully Jr., Katharine Scully Frazee, and Tucker Scully Ramadan. A letter of appreciation is attached for consideration (**Attachment 2**)
4. Bike Park grant opportunity.
 - a. Staff is aware of a grant opportunity for installation of a bike park. Envisioned as an accessory to the Pump Track at Sherando Park it would be installed at the NW Sherando site. A letter of interest to the grantee is due by June 17, with applications due on October 18. This is a matching grant and if our letter of interest was accepted (notification in September), a fund obligation (most likely proffer) would be required at the time of grant application submittal in October. Staff is seeking a recommendation to submit a letter of interest.
5. Other Business

From: Wayne Corbett
Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2019 1:44 PM
To: Jonathan Turkel
Subject: building

Jon, we will be there on Tuesday at 10:00 am. Here is a little statement if you want to include in the agenda or just hand out at the meeting. Thanks, Wayne

The Winchester Model Railroad Club was founded in 1982 and we are currently in our 37th year. We previously occupied the old B&O Freight Station located at 430 North Cameron Street for 32 years until CSX sold the building to the Laurel Center which has resulted in us having to demolish the existing layout and search for a new home. We currently have 27 active members, and as Winchester has become a desirable retirement area we have seen our membership grow over the past few years and expect to continue attracting new members, both young and old.

The Winchester Model Railroad Club would like to enter into an arrangement with the Frederick County Parks & Recreation Department to utilize the currently vacant metal building off of Old Charlestown Road, near the future Snowden Bridge ball fields. We would like some type of long term commitment (lease, etc) that assures us of staying in the building once we start construction of a new model railroad layout. Perhaps a 10 year lease with a minimal lease payment per year with our club also assuming the responsibility for any maintenance on the building, or improvements to the building, going forward. We would have at least four (4) Open Houses per year that would be open to the public. (If hosting open houses is a concern for the County, then we don't need to have them). Frederick County could list the Model Railroad Club as one of the organizations within the County that is open to anyone that is interested. We do carry a \$1,000,000 Liability Policy that was in place for our previous location that could be transferred to this new building/location. We are a 501c3 Organization. We are not sure how that would play into any arrangement that we make with the County but it is certainly a notable status for reference.



ATTACHMENT 2

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June , 2019

Thomas G. Scully, Jr., Katharine Scully Frazee, and Tucker Scully Ramadan
c/o Thomas G. Scully, Jr.
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Dear Thomas G. Scully, Jr., Katharine Scully Frazee, and Tucker Scully Ramadan,

Thank you for your generous gift of land to the citizens of Frederick County. The Parks and Recreation Department is appreciative of your support. Through your donation, you have made it possible for us to create the Abrams Creek Trail, a unique recreation and leisure amenity along the beautiful Abrams Creek waterway. This donation will make a transformative difference in our community with benefits lasting for many years to come.

The top ranked recreation amenity desire in Frederick County is for shared-use trails. The properties you have donated along Abrams Creek will allow us to address this top desire of area residents with the Abrams Creek Trail. Through your donation we can support a healthy, vibrant community. For this we are truly grateful!

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Jason L. Robertson
Director

Charles "Rusty" Sandy, Jr.
Chairman, P&R Commission