

# Ocean Pines Association (OPA)

Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee  
Monday, October 14, 2024  
6:30 – 7:30 PM  
Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order:** Co-Chair, Pam McGregor called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**Participants Present:** Kathy Wolford Toth, Pam McGregor, Gary Schnell, Bill Bernard, Terry and Tom O'Doherty and Jeff Heavener attended as the Ocean Pines Board Liaison. Becky Lehnerd not present.

**Approval of Agenda:** Agenda for this Oct 2024 meeting was approved.

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The minutes for the month of Sept 2024 were approved.

**Chairperson Comments:** Terry and Tom O'Doherty were approved by the board

**Public Comments:** Ralph Ferrusi – from Pintail Village

Ralph and his wife, Kathy are hikers who hike in and around Ocean Pines. Ralph found an area that he believed could be a nice trail for people to walk from Pintail Park to Mumford Landing, and Yacht Club, approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  miles. He believes there could be a trail to the left of a stream

He talked to Eddie wells from Pubic works, who said he had talked to John Viola and was given the green light to make the trail.

We will follow up with him to see how it is going.

**Topics Discussed: (Ongoing Business)**

- Charging documents – were sent to the board through the liaison
  - New charging documents submitted
  - Lights at Bocce Court- yacht club – installed 10/8/2024
  - Fencing at Parks
  - QR codes updated
  - Fitness trail/park
  - Crosswalks
  - Whitehorse park-Bocce court/horseshoe court/shuffle board courts
- Annual report was sent to committee for review, any additions or changes need to be sent to Becky by this weeks end
- Walktober update-no new updates on this county event
- Committee talked about the biking and pedestrian safety plan being a high-priority

- Committee talked about how to Improve dialogue between the committee and board

**New Business:**

- Follow up wit Ralph about the new walking trail
- Committee Priorities: In reviewing the Annual Report, the topic of committee priorities was discussed. Safety items/concerns are a priority. We talked about how we have used data from previous surveys as a guide for our priorities.
- Playground Certification: Committee would like to see copies of the inspection certification reports.

**Actions for Committee:** Send any additions to the annual report to Becky

**Actions for the Board:** Response on the charging documents

**Adjournment:** The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.

**Final Note:** *Next Meeting is scheduled for Nov 18, 2024, 7:00-8:00pm at Ocean Pines Community Center – East Room. The option of an online “Teams Meeting” is available upon request.*