

03/18/2026

Board meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Jennifer French. Board members in attendance: Jeff Pandin, Shawn Bloom, Steve Zielenski, Jennifer French, William Voss, & Rich Abelson, Ryan Anthony, Pei Wang, and Liz Yap.

Financials (Jeff): As of 03/18/25

- Burke & Herbert Checking = \$ 14,221.45
- PayPal = \$ 12,227.36
- Venmo = \$2,850.56
- Held in Trust: \$ 0
- **Total= \$29,299.38**

Operations (Shawn):

- Closing the park for spring seeding March 21st PM – in years past this happened any time after February. Liz to make an announcement via email and social media. Shawn to the Park Authority on the date of the park closer via email.
- Shawn will do some testing of different types of grass seed this spring. The plan is to have 4 different areas to see how the grass will grow throughout the season. Pak board will regroup in Nov to see the results. Seed blends are engineered for Dog Parks and are clover-mixes.
- Drainage issue has returned to the North end; Steve found a map that shows why the North end is continuing to have issues, an underground stream coming down the hill from Ft. Hunt road. Will address with “top-off” of topsoil on the low spot to force water into drains.
- County Tree give away- Fairfax County Tree program opens April 10, 2026. Delivery by May 11. Ryan and Shawn to work on the application to submit by April 10. Motion made by Liz approving moving forward with the tree project, seconded by Pei. Ryan to collaborate with Shawn on tree selection before applying for trees.
- North ADA project, Park Authority has emailed dates in April. The P.A.C.K closes the South end in April for turf rejuvenation. The Pack will get with the Park Authority to coordinate the timing on the North and South End open and closing for Spring. Shawn will email William with the Park Authority to coordinate.

- North end shade shelter quote. Steve to work on a Masterbrook grant proposal for \$20K. The pack needs a solid quote for shade shelter. Steve is working with William on the shelter pricing quote so that we can organize a targeted fundraiser.

Communications (Liz):

- Liz to send out hot dog Friday emails to potential sponsors.
- New dog store owner in Belle Haven have been contacted by Bill, working on lunch dates.
- Westgrove history, Jeff signed off on content. Liz and Pei are working on final edits.
- Liz to send out notice on park closing for sprint seeding on Saturday 3/21

General topics:

- Dogs off leash at the park, Steve responded to the email sent earlier this week on this topic.
- Jeff is working on a meeting with Stork on a camera at the park.

Next Board Meetings

April 15, 2026 – 7pm

General meeting: April 19, 2026 – 3pm - MV Rec center Room 2

May 20, 2026, 7 pm

Liz adjourned the meeting at 8:09pm.