

**Arlington Forest Citizens Association (AFCA) Meeting
April 24, 2019**

I. Updates – AFCA President Allison Kennett

- Neighborhood Yard Sale – May 18. Those planning to participate should let John Naland know so they can be listed on the yard sale map.
- This Saturday is the annual neighborhood clean up.
- David Howell announced that this weekend is the City Nature Challenge. It is a way to document plants and wildlife in the area. A group will be in Lubber Run Park from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. if anyone wants to participate.
- No news reported from Northside, Greenbrier or the Southside.

II. Allison Kennett and Barbara Englehart: Report on the Lubber Run Farmers Market

- Begins this Saturday, April 27
- Last year was successful, so most of the vendors are returning.
- There are many benefits to shopping at the Farmers Market: freshly picked in season produce; variety; environmentally friendly; friendly vendors; and support of the local economy and community. It's also fun to see your neighbors and meet new friends. Register to vote at the market, as well.
- There are seven new vendors this year (a couple dropped out). The coffee vendor is returning.
- The parking has been restructured to encourage more foot traffic on side of the market nearest Park Drive.
- It takes about three years for a market to become successful and established.
- Visit the Farmer's Market website at Lubberrunfarmesmarket.org and subscribe to the newsletter about the market.
- The Arlington Art Truck will be at the Farmers Market on May 4 and performers should be there every week.
- No dogs are allowed because it's a health issue.
- Volunteers are needed to get the word out by posting market signs on their property. We can no longer post signs on the public right of way as was done last year.
- Volunteers get to come to an end of the year party.
- A sign up sheet circulated at the meeting soliciting sign volunteers and volunteers willing to take shifts at the community booth. Sign up at: Signupgenius.com/go/9040c4eafae2e5-lubber1
- More people are needed to serve on the market committee. The committee is organizing a couple farm visits this season to assess additional proposed vendors.

III. Liz Kauffman – Neighborhood Conservation Committee - Proposed Redesign of Edison Park

- This project has been on the neighborhood wish list since 2005 and rose to the top of the County's neighborhood conservation project list in 2017.

- AFCA voted to approve the scope of the project recognizing the limited space available.
- The County revised the design based on community input at a meeting in February.
- The next step: If AFCA approves the plans presented at tonight's meeting, the project moves forward to final plans and construction.

Presentation by County Representative Kathy von Bredow about Edison Park Proposal

- Working group meeting – 2/13/2019
- Engagement/vote – 4/24/19
- Goals – 2 separate play areas: age groups 2-5 and 5-12
 - Improve circulation and accessibility
 - Furnishings
 - Reforestation
 - Maintenance and improvement of trail
 - Stormwater management
 - Construction - \$760k plus 10 percent reserve
 - Introduce Lyndell Core – facilities manager

Discuss existing conditions

- Putting in a resource protection area - reforestation will take place
- Asphalt between sidewalk and park access – will try to remove it
- Extended the amount of green space.
- Using grasspave to fix erosion issues.
- Tot lot, 2-5 years old– Spoo Roo Climber, proposing a basket swing and 5-12 swing, but thinks it's not the best use of space
- 5-12 age group – DNA Climber and attached spinner
- Signage reviewed
- Fencing along street frontage
- Site furnishings include benches, picnic tables, recycle/trash cans, bike racks
- Native plantings – trees, shrubs, perennials. Looking for suggestions from neighborhood.
- Will address water issues on site.
- Imprints in concrete or on the walls of creatures being considered.
- Use of boulders.
- Idea for front fence – do a decorative panel if possible.

Questions/Comments:

- Water issues are a problem there.
- Spinning feature would be great.
- Edible plants in consideration.
- Keeping all trees. One may be endangered, but will see once the County gets into construction.

Next Steps:

- Vote – Design approved
- Timeline – Summer construction drawings; fall permitting; bid; County Board approves contract winter 2020; projected start of construction spring 2020; expected completion fall 2020.

Meeting Adjourned.