



PATUXENT RIVER COMMISSION

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John Hartline, *Chairman*

Christopher Perry, *Vice Chairman*

We, the Patuxent River Commission, envision a Patuxent River ecosystem as vital and productive in 2050 as it was in the 1950s. We therefore commit to be stewards and advocates for the Patuxent River and to lead and inspire actions to protect, enhance, and restore living resources and the natural, cultural, economic, and recreational values of the Patuxent River and its watershed.

☀ Please call Daniel Rosen at MDP 410-767-4577 if you have any questions or comments.

MEETING SUMMARY

June 21, 2023

VIRTUAL MEETING

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Members: John Hartline, Chair; Chris Perry, Vice-Chair; Frank Allen, Stacy Clements, Rachel Dean, John Denniston, Luis Dieguez, Mary Dolan, Jason Dubow, Margaret Everson, Kim Finch, Jennifer Greiner, Morgan Hall, Bill Hubbard, Scott Knoche, Mike Leszcz, Ron Marney, Diep Nguyen van Houtte, Byron Petrauskas, Paula Proctor, Matt Rowe, Steve Shofar, Joanna Smith, John Tarr, Malcolm Taylor, Fred Tutman, Jason Van Kirk, Tiffany Wright

Staff: Jason Dubow, Debbie Herr Cornwell, Daniel Rosen, Adam Snyder

Annual Vote for Chair and Vice-Chair

Since the meeting was held virtually, the Commission used an anonymous online voting system. In accordance with the by-laws, the successful candidate must receive 18 votes. There was one nomination for Chair: John Hartline and one nomination for Vice-chair: Chirs Perry. Both candidates were successfully elected.

Open Floor

An update was provided on the Annual Patuxent Wade-In and as the planning process begins for next year, the discussion will include how to make the event more welcoming to all. There was a discussion on how the Commission can help support interest in cleaning up the river – trash pickups, trash receptacles, etc. Jennifer Greiner provided an update on the lead remediation project on the active firing ranges on the refuge. Joanna Smith reported that Prince George’s County is currently working on three stream restoration projects in the Patuxent Watershed and reforestation projects putting the right tree in the right place.