

Minutes Sep 25, 2025 6:30 P.M.

Cedar Run Conference Room McCoart Building 1 County Complex Court Prince William, VA 22192

Meeting

SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION Chinaka A. Barbour, Woodbridge District **Warren Beeton** Chair At-Large Dr Joseph P Boutte Potomac District J. Randall Freed, Vice Chair, Occoquan District **Martin Jeter Chair** Coles District Stephanie Johnson Neabsco District

**UTILITIES REPRESENTATIVE** 

Chauncie Dallas, Dominion

Energy

Christine Hoeffner, VRE Ruth Holdbrook, NVEC Perrin Palistrant, Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation

Commission

**Thomas Smith** 

Brentsville District Elizabeth H. Ward

Gainesville District

Don Pannell, Prince William

Water

**Present:** Commissioners Chinaka Barbour, Dr Joseph Boutte, J Randall Freed, Martin Jeter, Elizabeth Ward

Non-voting Commissioners: Christine Hoeffner, Ruth Holdbrook

Others: Giulia Manno – Senior Environmental Program Manager, Salita Gray- Administrative Specialist

**Absent**: Warren Beeton, Stephanie Johnson, Thomas Smith

Non-voting Commissioners: Chauncie Dallas, Perrin Palistrant, Don Pannell

**Roll Call**: Quorum Present

Citizen's Time: None

## **Old Business**

- Approve remote participation (VOTING RECORD: Motion: M Jeter; Second: J Boutte; Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)
- Approve August 28, 2025 minutes (VOTING RECORD: Motion: E Ward; Second: J Boutte; Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)
- M Jeter reviewed questions for Dominion on GIS Substations for finalization.
- R Freed presented the comparison of the Board of County Supervisor Directive to Sustainability Commission proffer recommendations.
- C Barbour updated on the Joint Environmental Taskforce meeting. Minimum activity with the application developed for a Walkability Analysis around public facilities led to county hiring consultants to complete the assessment of where bike and pedestrian accessibility can be improved. Joint Environmental Taskforce will be partnering with Pink Space Theory, a Community Partner Microgrant Awardee, on an event in February for elementary school students and their families. The event will present career opportunities related to Sustainability for students. School division and county government staff discussed budget items and proposed legislative agenda for the 2026 General Assembly.

## **New Business**

- Department of Transportation provided a briefing on integration of the CESMP into transportation planning. Current projects being implemented include bicycle and pedestrian projects, traffic safety, grants for sustainability and resiliency, and capital projects.
- R Freed reviewed the Sustainability Commission Resolution on Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail (PHNST).
- Approved the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail Resolution (VOTING RECORD: Motion: R Freed; Second: J Boutte; Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)
- R Freed and M Jeter discussed renewable energy commitment for Bristow Campus application.

## Commissioner's Time:

- J Boutte suggested the titles of districts for Commissioners and utility company for Utility Representatives be added to meeting materials.
- E Ward shared The Agricultural Working Group of Loudoun County Preservation and Conservation Coalition issued their groundwater report. Data showed that Loudoun's groundwater levels are decreasing.
- R Freed shared the Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions has an upcoming forum event on October 5<sup>th</sup> on Data Centers.
- M Jeter updated that Ford is investing in a plant in the US to make batteries for electric vehicles.
- G Manno provided update that the Office of Sustainability presented a summary on the progress of the Strategic Plan Environment Goal implementation to the Board. Recruiting for a Climate Risk and Resiliency Manager and Green Buildings Manager. Both positions close October 5<sup>th</sup>. Request for a Green Mobility Manager and Communication and Outreach Manager was included in the 5-year plan. M Smyk is currently in Germany with Northern Virginia Regional Commission touring Data Centers.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 PM