



PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

**Meeting
Minutes
Aug 27, 2026
6:30 P.M.**

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

SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

Chinaka A. Barbour,
Woodbridge District
Warren Beeton
Chair At-Large
Dr Joseph P Boutte
Potomac District
Edwin Gonzalez
Neabsco District
J. Randall Freed, Vice Chair,
Occoquan District
Martin Jeter Chair
Coles District
Thomas Smith
Brentsville District
Elizabeth H. Ward
Gainesville District

UTILITIES REPRESENTATIVE

Ashley Gremel, Dominion
Energy
Christine Hoeffner, VRE
Ruth Holdbrook, NOVEC
Perrin Palistrant, Potomac and
Rappahannock Transportation
Commission
Don Pannell, Prince William
Water

Present: Commissioners Chinaka Barbour, Warren Beeton, Dr. Joseph Boutte, J Randall Freed, Martin Jeter, Thomas Smith, Elizabeth Ward

Non-voting Commissioners: Ashley Gremel, Christine Hoeffner, Ruth Holdbrook

Others: Giulia Manno- Director- Office of Sustainability, Salita Gray- Administrative Specialist

Absent: Commissioner Edwin Gonzalez

Non-voting Commissioners: Perrin Palistrant, Don Pannell

Roll Call: Quorum Present

Citizen's Time: None

Old Business

- Approved for remote participation (VOTING RECORD: Motion: E Ward; Second: W Beeton; Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)
- Approved July 23, 2026 minutes (VOTING RECORD: Motion: T Smith; Second: J Boutte; Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)

New Business

- Introduction of new Dominion Energy representative, Ashley Gremel.
- H Kariofe-Manning with Voltus presented on the Virtual Power Plant program.
- Approved Sustainability Commission Recommendations for a Strategic Framework to Mitigate Data Center Impacts and Advance CESMP Goals resolution (VOTING RECORD: Motion: W Beeton; Second: T Smith; Abstain: E Ward; Ayes: C Barbour, W Beeton, Dr. J Boutte, R Freed, M Jeter, T Smith; Nays: none)
- M Jeter reviewed the Sustainability Commission priorities for 2027 legislative agenda.
- C Barbour reported on the Joint Environmental Taskforce meeting. JET discussed landfill waste diversion program and county water quality issues and studies.

Commissioner's Time:

- M Jeter announced the resignation of W Beeton. Informed he met with Supervisor Vega and other stakeholders to discuss groundwater monitoring wells within the county.
- E Ward informed that a coalition that she is a member of are working on developing recommendations for water quality legislation.
- T Smith reiterated the importance of Commissioner's talking to their appointing supervisors.
- G Manno announced M Smyk will be at the next meeting giving a quarterly update. Communications and Outreach Manager position is posted.
- R Freed encouraged everyone to talk to their Supervisors about the commission's Data Center Strategic Framework resolution.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:34pm