



**Meeting
Minutes
April 27, 2023
6:30 P.M.**

UTILITIES REPRESENTATIVE

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

Present: Commissioners Chinaka Barbour, Dr. Joseph Boutte, Christopher Carroll, J. Randall Freed, Martin Jeter, Elizabeth H. Ward

Non-voting Commissioners – Christine Hoeffner, Gilbert Jaramillo, Scott McGearly

Giulia Manno – Director Office of Sustainability, Salita Gray – Sustainability Commission Clerk

Absent: Commissioner Warren Beeton

Roll Call: Quorum Present

- New Coles Sustainability Commissioner Martin Jeter was introduced.
- Approved resolution for commissioner remote participation for R. Freed, C Hoeffner and G Scott: [VOTING RECORD: Motion E Ward; Ayes-by acclimation; Nays- None]

Citizen's Time: Charlie Grymes stated a lot of people are looking forward to the Community Energy and Sustainability Master Plan being implemented.

Old Business

- Approved Minutes of March 23, 2023 meeting [VOTING RECORD: Motion E Ward; Second; C Carroll; Ayes-by acclamation; Nays- None]
- G Manno provided an update on external stakeholder CESMP workshops and how the

commissioners will be doing their workshop with AECOM during the May 25 meeting. G Manno gave an update on the planning process with the next step being action prioritization.

- Before the May meeting, Sustainability Commissioners will be coordinating with their workgroup members to discuss action prioritization and questions provided by AECOM. The goal at the end of the next meeting with AECOM is to get an idea of what the commission's top 25 actions should be. Once all feedback is received, including from the town hall meeting, it will be shared with the county core team to then draft the CESMP.
- Commissioners provided feedback from their meetings with their Supervisors to discuss Sustainability Commission status and direction. It was suggested that the virtual townhall meeting and survey be included in their Supervisor newsletter. R Freed provided a briefing to Supervisor Angry and Supervisor Boddye. W Beeton presented to Chair Wheeler. S McGear reported progress to Washington gas.
- G Manno shared the public input survey and encouraged everyone to please participate and share with their networks.

New Business

- R Freed updated on a new Neabsco District commissioner appointee. Supervisor Angry provided notice and a vote will be made at the next meeting.
- Loudoun County Assistant Director of General Services, Marc Aveni provided a briefing on lessons learned from the Loudoun Energy Strategy. He shared the timeline and energy strategy framework goals: Leading by example in county government operations, supporting clean energy development in the county, and how to engage the community.
- C Barbour discussed proposed JET priorities. Shared that Freedom High School is now a green ribbon school and updated on grant opportunities for county schools. C Barbour shared the JET's draft areas of focus list. Input was requested from the commissioners. E Ward suggested the JET reach out to the Conservation District to create a clean up event.
- G Manno discussed a summary list of data center sustainability initiatives. The list was pulled together by Economic Development and includes information that was voluntarily submitted by data centers in Prince William on their sustainability initiatives.

Commissioner's Time

- J Boutte stated that he is catching up on information since his absence.

- C Carroll inquired about if data centers are proffered.
- R Freed let the commission know that the Department of Energy Administration has published an annual energy outlook for the forecast of carbon emissions by region. R Freed requested that everyone who signed up for a workgroup look into the actions and discuss how to address them. Requested commissioners inform him on when they are planning to meet with workgroups, how they plan to formulate recommendations and if they want time to speak on the recommendations at the next meeting.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:51 PM