

Joint Environmental Taskforce

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Meeting
Minutes
September 21,

2023 6:00 PM

Kelly Leadership Center Room 1101 B 14715 Bristow Rd Manassas, VA 20112

<u>Present:</u> JET Appointees –Chinaka Barbour, Kenny Boddye, Jennifer Boeder, Karen Carney, Dr. Earnie Porta, Matthew Villareale, Jessica Weimer

Giulia Manno – Director Office of Sustainability, Salita Gray – Joint Environmental Taskforce Clerk

Absent: JET Appointee Adele Jackson, Thomas Smith, Paige Thacker, Julius Williams

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum: Quorum Present

Public Comment Time: None

<u>Consent Agenda</u>: Approved August 17, 2023 meeting minutes and revision to the bylaws 7-5. [VOTING RECORD: Motion K Boddye; Second K Carney; Ayes-by acclamation; Nays- None]

New Business:

- G Manno and J Weimer discussed the high priorities for the county and the draft CESMP along with PWCS Strategy documents to determine where there is overlap in areas where the JET could support the most.
- There are three areas of focus identified as priorities for the JET to include metrics, transportation, and renewables.
- The priorities were discussed in further detail with input from JET members focusing on developing greenhouse gas inventories, transitioning white fleets to electric vehicles, and improving pedestrian and bicycle infrastructures. Prioritizing renewable energy for operations with focus on Solar PPA's.

Member Time:

- C Barbour gave an update on the sustainability commission meeting where AECOM reviewed the CESMP.
- J Boeder informed about the environmental counsel has been difficult to keep going due to turnover in the county and are trying to transition. Every year goals are set and they get a certification.
- K Boddye informed that supervisors are working together to get more reasonable and accurate data for the cost of the CESMP. He met with Transportation and informed they are looking forward to more grants going into the sustainability space.
- K Carney informed solar panels are going in on Battlefield Highschool. Amazon is sponsoring 4 students to go to Richmond and visit solar farms.
- J Weimer informed that the county schools are anticipating by the end of the calendar year, five schools should have solar panels and another four more at some point in 2024. The first meeting of the Superintendent Advisory Counsel and Sustainability is next Tuesday and have new members and are excited to get started.
- G Manno updated on the townhall meeting and the feedback on the CESMP. She plans to bring the CESMP to the board in October.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:20 PM

