



Chinaka A. Barbour  
Warren Beeton  
Dr Joseph P Boutte  
J. Randall Freed, Chair  
Stephanie Johnson  
Martin Jeter  
Elizabeth H. Ward, Vice Chair  
Erik Wiesbock

**Meeting  
Minutes  
July 25, 2024  
6:30 P.M.**

**UTILITIES REPRESENTATIVE**

Christine Hoeffner  
Gilbert Jaramillo  
Scott McGeary  
Perrin Palistrant  
Don Pannell  
Kyle Reglin

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

**Present:** Commissioners Chinaka Barbour, Warren Beeton, J. Randall Freed, Stephanie Johnson  
Martin Jeter, Elizabeth Ward

**Non-voting Commissioners:** Gilbert Jaramillo, Christine Hoeffner

**Others:** Salita Gray – Administrative Specialist, Michelle Smyk – Climate and Energy Program  
Manager

**Absent:** Commissioners Dr. Joseph Boutte, Erik Wiesbock

Non-voting Commissioners: Scott McGeary, Perrin Palistrant, Don Pannell, Kyle Reglin

**Roll Call:** Quorum Present

**Citizen's Time:** None

- Approve remote participation for J Boutte and S Johnson (VOTING RECORD: Motion: E  
Ward; Second: W Beeton; Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)

**Old Business**

- Approve June 27 meeting minutes. (VOTING RECORD: Motion: M Jeter; Second E Ward;  
Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)
- M Jeter provided an update on a directive for staff to put together a resolution for the  
Groundwater Study for the Board to vote on. Once it is approved, staff will begin working

on the study.

- M Smyk provided an update on the 3-year work plan for the Office of Sustainability staffing and budget request including feedback provided by Commissioners on the draft work plan.
- R Freed presented an updated draft list of Sustainability Commission Legislative Agenda Recommendations.
- R Freed discussed the alignment of the Comprehensive Plan and Strategic Plan with the Community Energy and Sustainability Master Plan (CESMP). Working groups within the Commission have been formed amongst four different groups: buildings, electricity, transportation, and natural resources/adaptation.

### **New Business**

- K Reglin will be resigning from the Sustainability Commission effective July 25, 2024.
- C Meyers from East Point Energy presented on battery energy storage systems.
- C Barbour updated on the Joint Environmental Taskforce (JET) meeting. Earnie Porta will not be on the committee as of September and Supervisor Boddye will step in as chair. Composting has expanded to 12 schools in the Balls Ford area.

### **Commissioner's Time:**

- C Hoeffner announced beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> children 18 and younger can ride Virginia Railway Express (VRE) for free.
- S Johnson announced that on August 11<sup>th</sup> she will be hosting an event to teach the community about invasive plants. She will be sending out information to commissioners regarding a group organized to talk to legislators about the importance of invasive plants.
- W Beeton announced a permitting reform bill dropping in the senate called the Bipartisan Energy Permitting Reform Act 2024 which could possibly affect the county.

**The Meeting Adjourned at 9:05 PM**