

Joint Environmental Taskforce Chinaka Barbour Kenny Boddye, Vice Chair Jennifer Boeder Karen Carney Lonnie Harris Lucas Hisghman Paige Thacker Matthew Villareale Jessica Weimer Julius Williams Loree Williams

Building 51, Room 203 Independent Hill Complex 14800 Joplin Rd Manassas, VA 20108

<u>**Present:**</u> JET Appointees – Chinaka Barbour, Kenny Boddye, Jennifer Boeder, Karen Carney, Lonnie Harris, Lucas Hisghman, Matthew Villareale, Jessica Weimer, Lisa Zargarpur

Meeting

Minutes

December 12, 2024

6:00 PM

Giulia Manno – Director Office of Sustainability, Michelle Smyk – Climate and Energy Program Manager

Absent: Paige Thacker, Julius Williams

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum: Quorum Present

Public Comment Time: None

<u>**Consent Agenda</u>**: Approved October 17, 2024 meeting minutes [VOTING RECORD: Motion L Hisghman; Second J Weimer -by acclamation; Nays- None]</u>

### Old Business:

- L Harris updated that the landfill field trip bus has been approved.
- K Carney provided an update on development of environmental career opportunity resource. A form was developed for students to reference on resources and opportunities.

### New Business:

- Discussed county government and school division stormwater management and flood mitigation collaboration. School and county staff discussed flooding concerns and needs for best practices for stormwater management.
- G Manno discussion on Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) tax credits and potential resources for procurement/finance departments. Finding training for staff has been the common problem amongst counterparts.

- M Villareale discussed Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) funds to plan for net-zero county buildings. The EECBG grant is in the process of being accepted and will be used as a master plan to develop net-zero emission plans for the county.
- Review overlap of county Climate Mitigation and Resilience goals and school division sustainability efforts. The CESMP high priority actions consist of energy, building, transportation, natural resources and adaptation strategies. M Smyk and J Weimer shared actions across those categories that the schools could contribute to or initiate parallel efforts.
- G Manno discussed the JET 2024 Year-in review and presented a summary of topics that the JET has worked on this year and plans for continued work next year.
- JET members are continuing to meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m.
- Kenny Boddye voted Chair of the Joint Environmental Taskforce (VOTING RECORD: Motion: M Villareale; Second: J Weimer Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)
- Lisa Zargarpur voted Vice Chair of the Joint Environmental Taskforce (VOTING RECORD: Motion: K Boddye; Second: M Villareale Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)

# Member Time:

• K Boddye updated that the legislative agenda was adopted which included interconnection fees and energy. He will be working with colleagues to include language into the agenda for water draws, power assessments and noise ordinances.

# Departmental Reports:

• J Weimer shared that a student environmental action showcase with be held in April.

## Meeting Adjourned at 7:22 PM