



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

**Meeting
Minutes
February 27,
2025
6:30 P.M.**

UTILITIES REPRESENTATIVE

Christine Hoeffner
Gilbert Jaramillo
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, Dr. Joseph Boutte, J. Randall Freed, Martin Jeter, Stephanie Johnson, Thomas Smith, Elizabeth Ward

Non-voting Commissioners: Christine Hoeffner

Others: Salita Gray – Administrative Specialist, Michelle Smyk – Climate and Energy Program Manager, Yi Sun – Green House Gas and Sustainability Analyst

Absent: None

Non-voting Commissioners: Gilbert Jaramillo, Perrin Palistrant, Don Pannell, Kyle Reglin

Roll Call: Quorum Present

Citizen's Time: None

Old Business

- Approve January 23, 2025 minutes with changes to Christine's name and motion vote for Vice Chair (VOTING RECORD: Motion: W Beeton; Second: T Smith; Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)
- R Freed presented the draft Sustainability Commission annual report for BOCS.
- T Smith discussed resolutions on the commission's recommendations for Office of Sustainability FY26 budget and open vs closed loop data center cooling. Commissioners

provided input and the data center resolution will be tabled.

- Approve Office of Sustainability budget request resolution (VOTING RECORD: Motion: R Freed; Second J Boutte; Ayes: by acclamation; Nays: none)

New Business

- E Ward provided an update on Virginia's legislative session and bills currently passed.
- C Hoeffner provided a VRE presentation on Transit Oriented Development Policy along with an overview of Potomac Shores Development, additional projects, and future opportunities.
- Yi Sun introduced himself as the Office of Sustainability Greenhouse Gas and Sustainability Analyst and discussed the future cost-benefit analysis for CESMP actions.
- M Smyk discussed potential impacts on the federal funding freeze and updates on the Strategic Plan.
- J Boutte discussed recommendations on how the Sustainability Commission could provide community outreach with input provided by Commissioners.
- C Barbour provided an update on the JET meeting. Executive orders and potential government changes were discussed. Discussed potential staff training on the salinization of the watershed and events announced for Earth Day.

Commissioner's Time:

- S Johnson updated on working on projects for Fairfax County with invasive plant initiatives.
- W Beeton mentioned heat pump manual curriculum at Battlefield is being worked on.
- J Boutte requested Commissioners to reach out to him for any additional recommendations on outreach.
- R Freed recommended that the Commission consider any additional resolutions with realistic actions that would encourage transit oriented development.

The Meeting Adjourned at 9:07 PM