

FAIRFAX WATER
Minutes of Board Meeting
May 18, 2023

At 2:43 p.m. on Thursday, May 18, 2023, a Meeting of the Fairfax Water Board was held at the Griffith Water Treatment Plant at 9600 Ox Road, Lorton, Virginia, with the following in attendance:

Members: Allin, Begovich, Cammarata (arrived at 3:11 p.m.), Colleton, Day, Dotson, Ginyard-Jones (absent), Griffin, Rubin (absent), Roberson (absent)

Wholesale Customer Representatives: Danziger (absent), Jaatinen (absent)

Staff: Atapoor, Cotten, Dooley, Goldberg, Grimes, Hedges, Kingsbury, S. Miller, B. Nguyen, Oates, Siminari, Stack, van der Vyver

Counsel: John McGranahan, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP (absent)

Others: none

Upon separate motions duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, unless otherwise noted, the following actions were taken:

Approval of Minutes

The Board approved the Minutes of the May 4, 2023, Meeting.

Matters by Members

Chairman Allin thanked Staff for organizing the 2023 Employee Service Awards Luncheon. Members suggested that Staff post videos from the service awards to Fairfax Water's public website for the customers to view.

Mr. Cammarata requested the indirect and direct costs associated with conducting the vehicle electrification pilot program at the new Central Maintenance facility be tracked and reported to the Board monthly.

Matters by Staff

Ms. Hedges addressed the following:

- Fairfax Water was recognized at the 2023 Customer Service (CS) Week conference in North Carolina for expanding excellence. CS week is a national event focusing on customer service and the technology systems supporting customer interactions. Staff received the award for innovation in digital engagement for the implementation of the new customer service portal.
- The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) recognized Fairfax Water's Treatment Plants for treatment process optimization. The Griffith Treatment Plant won an award for excellence in clarification, filtration, and backwash, and the Corbalis Treatment Plant won an award for excellence in clarification and filtration.
- Last Week, Chairman Allin, the General Manager, and Deputy General Manager attended the 40th Anniversary celebration of the Prince William County Service Authority (PWCSA). PWCSA Staff made kind remarks about their partnership with Fairfax Water for water supply services. The General Manager also spoke with Prince William County Supervisor Kenny Boddye at that event, who expressed his appreciation for the Drinking Water Summit hosted by Fairfax Water last year.
- Staff from Human Resources and Customer Service recently participated in a career event at Bryant Alternative High School to discuss entry-level opportunities with Fairfax Water. About 250 students

ranging from ages 16-22 attended. Supervisor Lusk was also in attendance and appreciated the support of Fairfax Water.

- Members received an updated draft comment letter on the EPA's proposed PFAS regulations. Staff is planning on sending the letter next week.
- Last week Senator Lummis from Wyoming introduced a Bill that would provide some exemptions of water and wastewater facilities from CERCLA liability for PFAS release or disposal.
- Last week, there was a series of main breaks in the Virginia Hills neighborhood of the Franconia District. Due to the distribution system configuration, about 160 customers were without service for an extended period. Traci Goldberg gave a presentation that provided an overview of the specific situation and plans to advance water main replacements in the area.
- Beginning at 12:00 a.m. Friday, May 19 and ending at 12:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 23, Mr. Kingsbury will be acting General Manager while Ms. Hedges is on annual leave.

In response to a previous request by Mr. Cammarata, Bao Nguyen and Thelma van der Vyver from the Technology Division gave a presentation on staff's responses to the PBMares Information Systems Audit presented at the Board Meeting of April 20, 2023. Staff will provide the Board with additional updates after documentation of procedures is completed. Staff expects this effort to be completed in June.

Enterprise Geographical Information System (GIS) – Software Platform Migration Project

The Board awarded a contract to Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc., DBA 1898 & Co. to furnish, install and support Esri's Utility Network Solution on AWS through August 2026 in the estimated amount of \$801,841 and appropriated funds in the amount of \$511,256 to Project 2324 Enterprise GIS for project implementation, and first-year hosting and maintenance services. The Board further authorized staff to renew this contract for four additional one-year periods to cover hosting and managed services at approximately \$145,292 per year, as long as prices remain fair and reasonable and consistent with contractual terms.

Purchase of Trailer Vacuums

The Board awarded a contract to Ferguson Waterworks for the purchase of four E.H. Wachs Trav-L-Vac 300 vacuums and appropriated funds in the amount of \$114,000 to Project 3652, Division 007 – Capital Equipment Purchases.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.



Richard Dotson, Secretary