

FAIRFAX WATER
Minutes of Board Meeting
July 25, 2024

At 7:03 p.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2024, a Meeting of the Fairfax Water Board was held in the Bill G. Evans Boardroom at 8570 Executive Park Avenue, Fairfax, Virginia, with the following in attendance:

Members: Allin, Begovich, Cammarata (remote), Colleton, Day, Dotson, Ginyard-Jones, Griffin, Roberson, Rubin

Wholesale Customer Representatives: Danziger (absent)

Staff: Brown, Dewhirst, Dooley, Farley, Goldberg, Grimes, Hedges, Kingsbury, Love, S. Miller, B. Nguyen, Oates, Prelewicz

Counsel: John McGranahan, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, Sarah Frey, PFM Financial Advisors LLC

Others: N/A

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

Approval of Participation by Electronic Communication

Mr. Dotson moved, with a second by Mr. Begovich, that Mr. Cammarata's request to participate in the Board Meeting by means of electronic communication was consistent with the Board's policy, and the Board approved his request pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.3(B)(4). Mr. Cammarata participated by means of electronic communication from Roanoke, Virginia, where he was located on business.

Approval of Minutes

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the June 20, 2024, Meeting.

Report of the Human Resources Committee

Mr. Dotson reported to the Board on the July 25, 2024, Human Resources Committee Meeting held earlier in the evening. The Committee met to discuss compensation and performance reviews for the General Manager and the Deputy General Manager.

Motion Regarding Compensation Rates of the General Manager and Deputy General Manager

Mr. Dotson moved, with a second by Mr. Day, to approve the recommended 2024 compensation for the General Manager and Deputy General Manager, as discussed during the Human Resources Committee Meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

Report of the Water Quality and Supply Committee

Mr. Roberson reported to the Board on the July 25, 2024, Water Quality and Supply Committee Meeting held earlier in the evening. The Committee reviewed 21 grant applications under the Stakeholder

Outreach Program and voted to recommend that the full Board approves staff's recommendation to approve \$79,615 in grant funding to various applicants.

Motion Regarding Approval of Award of Grant Funding to Applicants

Mr. Roberson moved, with a second by Mr. Dotson, to approve the staff recommendation to approve awarding \$79,615 in grant funding to various applicants. The motion was unanimously approved.

Matters by Members

- Chairman Allin acknowledged the re-appointments of Mr. Begovich and Mr. Roberson to the Fairfax Water Board.
- Mr. Day requested to remove the reporting of Board Member arrival times on future Board Meeting attendance listings.
- Mr. Dotson reported on the Planning Commission hearing held at the Fairfax County Government Center the previous evening to discuss the Poplar Heights Water Tank project. Mr. Dotson also thanked Mr. McGranahan and Mr. Cotten for attending the hearing and responding to questions.
- Mr. Roberson thanked Mr. Grimes, Mr. Coneway, and Ms. Siminari for hosting the recent EPA staff tours at the Griffith and Corbalis Water Treatment Plants.
- Ms. Ginyard-Jones thanked Ms. Hedges and team for hosting Supervisor Biermann and his staff for a tour and information session at the Corbalis Water Treatment Plant.
- Ms. Ginyard-Jones also updated the Board on the status of finding a date for the Board Retreat and proposed moving the event to January due to scheduling conflicts. Ms. Ginyard-Jones also informed the Board that a Board Retreat Planning Committee Meeting would be scheduled for August.
- Mr. Begovich informed the Board that the Nominating Committee polled Members and found that the existing slate of Officers would like to be re-elected to their positions for the 2024-2025 cycle.

Election of Officers

Mr. Griffin moved, with a second by Mr. Dotson to elect the following slate of Officers for the 2024-2025 cycle: Mr. Allin, Chairman; Mr. Begovich, Vice-Chairman; Mr. Roberson, Treasurer; Mr. Dotson, Secretary. The motion was passed unanimously.

Matters by Staff

Ms. Hedges addressed the following:

- Introduced Ms. Sarah Frey with PFM Financial Advisors LLC to provide an update on the series 2024 Water Revenue Bond sale conducted earlier this month. Ms. Hedges thanked Ms. Frey and her team for a successful bond sale.
- Reported that earlier that day, she attended a meeting at Supervisor Walkinshaw's office with Mr. Roberson, which was held to discuss the Lead and Copper Rule regulations and PFAS. As a result of that meeting, Supervisor Walkinshaw requested to have Fairfax Water staff speak on the matters at an upcoming meeting of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors' Environmental Committee.

- Highlighted the quick reference Retirement Plan Report Card and the Information Item memo from the Benefits Trust Committee, which provide updates on Retirement Plan activity over the last year.
- Provided an update on the work Mr. Grimes and his team have done in water production over the last month, which she noted has been very hot and dry.
- Provided an update on the work Ms. Goldberg and her team have completed over the last month.
- Reported on Fairfax Water’s current quarterly PFAS data and the status of ongoing PFAS mitigation efforts.
- Highlighted the Quarterly Expenditure Report for Electrical and Alternative Fuel Vehicles. A copy of the report was provided to each Member at their seat.
- Highlighted the first Quarterly Report of Contracts Authorized by the General Manager. Copies of the report were provided to each Member at their seat. Ms. Hedges noted that this is the first report completed since the change in General Manager contract authorization limits, which was approved by the Fairfax Water Board at their Meeting on April 18, 2024.
- Informed the Board that they were provided copies of the Consumer Confidence Report at their seats and thanked Ms. Miller and her team for putting the report together.
- Shared that the Prince William County Service Authority has changed their official “doing business as” name to Prince William Water.
- Informed the Board that Mr. Steglitz of UOSA sent a letter to Chairman Allin and the Chairman of the Prince William Water Board regarding the status of the ozone biofiltration project. A copy of the letter was provided to each Member at their seat.

Appropriations

The Board approved an increase in appropriations for thirteen projects totaling \$2,684,592. A detailed description for each project appropriation is included with the Board packet for this Meeting.

Project 577, Division 72 – Corbalis Raw Water Pumping Station Electrical and HVAC Improvements

The Board appropriated funds in the amount of \$1,195,000 to Project 577, Division 72, and authorized the General Manager to execute a task order with CDM Smith, Inc. in the amount of \$986,043 for design and bid-phase services for electrical and HVAC improvements at the Corbalis Treatment Plant Raw Water Pumping Station.

Project 2774, Division 1 – Pohick Pump Station to Popes Head Pump Station Transmission Improvements

The Board appropriated funds in the amount of \$565,000 to Project 2774, Division 1 and authorized the General Manager to execute a design services task order with Michael Baker International in the amount of \$505,000.

Proposed Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges

In accordance with the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, the Board authorized the advertisement of the proposed rate changes and set the date of December 12, 2024, for the public hearing thereon.

Vertical and Horizontal Pump Repairs

The Board awarded a one-year contract for vertical and horizontal pump repair services to Electric Motor & Contracting Company for an estimated annual amount of \$327,358.54. Annual expenditures may be more or less subject to actual requirements. The Board also authorized staff to renew this contract annually for up to four additional one-year periods so long as prices remain fair, reasonable, and consistent with contractual terms and conditions. Additionally, the Board appropriated \$250,000 to P0577-113 for overhaul and staff time for Griffith Treatment Plant Raw Water Pump No. 1 and \$180,000 to P0215A-030 for overhaul and staff time for Griffith Treatment Plant Finished Water Pump No. 2.

Removal of Residuals

The Board awarded a one-year contract for removal of Corbalis Water Treatment Plant residuals to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Rising Sun, Inc., in the estimated amount of \$646,880. Annual expenditures may be more or less, subject to actual requirements. The Board also authorized staff to renew this contract annually for up to four additional one-year periods so long as prices remain fair, reasonable, and consistent with contractual terms and conditions.

Major Repairs Treatment Facilities

The Board awarded a sole source contract to Schneider Electric for upgrading and maintaining the power monitoring system at GTP in the amount of \$279,181.11 and appropriated \$342,000 to Project 579-680 to cover contract and internal setup costs. The Board also authorized staff to renew annual support contracts for the useful life of the power monitoring system as long as support prices remain fair and reasonable.

Closed Session

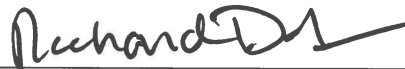
Mr. Begovich moved, with a second by Mr. Dotson, that the Board go into closed session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)1 for discussion of performance and salaries of specific public officers or employees of any public body specifically relating to Performance Review and Compensation of General Manager and Deputy General Manager, Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)3 for discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body specifically relating to the Willston Tank Site, Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)6 for discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected specifically relating to the potential acquisition of a local water system, Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)7 for consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body specifically relating to PFAS related litigation including the pending multi-district federal litigation, Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)8 for consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public

body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, specifically relating to Potential Recovery of PFAS-Related Costs.

Upon conclusion of the closed session, the open session resumed, whereby Mr. Begovich moved, seconded by Mr. Day, certifying, in accordance with Section 2.2-3712 of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act that, to the best of each Member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open Meeting requirements under Chapter 37 of Title 2.2 of the Virginia Code, and (ii) only such public business matters as were publicly identified in the motion by which the just concluded closed Meeting was convened, were heard, discussed, or considered by Fairfax Water in closed session. This motion was approved, with the following Members voting in the affirmative by roll-call vote: Mr. Cammarata, Mr. Day, Mr. Dotson, Mr. Begovich, Chairman Allin, Mr. Roberson, Mr. Rubin, Mr. Griffin, and Ms. Colleton. Ms. Ginyard-Jones' affirmative vote only applied to the items related to Performance Review and Compensation of General Manager and Deputy General Manager, the Willston Tank Site, and the potential acquisition of a local water system. Ms. Ginyard-Jones did not participate in the portions of the Closed Session relating to PFAS. Mr. Cammarata only participated in the portions of Closed Session relating to PFAS. As such, the affirmative votes of Ms. Ginyard-Jones and Mr. Cammarata only applied to the portions of the Closed Session in which they participated.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.



Richard Dotson, Secretary