

FAIRFAX WATER
Minutes of Board Meeting
March 19, 2026

At 6:16 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2026, 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 (remote), Cammarata, Colleton, Day, Dotson, Ginyard-Jones, Griffin, Roberson, Rubin

Wholesale Customer Representatives: Bahceci (absent)

Staff: Abusin, Brown, Cotten, Dewhirst, Dooley, Goldberg, Grimes, Hedges, Kingsbury, Love, B. Miller, Moody, B. Nguyen, Oates, Prelewicz

Counsel: John McGranahan, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, Kyle McGee, Grant and Eisenhofer, P.A.

Others: Jason Zogg, Tysons Community Alliance

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

Approval of Participation by Electronic Communication

Mr. Cammarata moved, with a second by Mr. Griffin, that Mr. Begovich'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. Begovich participated by means of electronic communication from North Carolina, where he was located due to the temporary medical condition of a family member.

Approval of Minutes

The Board unanimously approved the Minutes of the February 19, 2026, Board Meeting and March 5, 2026, Work Session.

Report of the Executive Search Committee

Ms. Ginyard-Jones provided an update on the Executive Search Committee Meeting held on March 2, 2026. The Committee has initiated the process of selecting an Executive Search Firm to support the recruitment of a new General Manager. A Request for Quotes was issued on March 6, 2026, with responses due by March 27, 2026. The Committee will review all submissions during a follow-up meeting on April 2, 2026, and will identify the firms they wish to interview at a subsequent meeting scheduled for April 9, 2026.

Water Storage Tank Graphics

Ms. Goldberg presented an overview of the "Policy on Permitting Graphics on Water Tanks" and introduced Mr. Zogg from the Tysons Community Alliance (TCA), who outlined TCA's request to update its logo on the Tysons Tank.

Following the presentation, Mr. Cammarata moved, with a second by Ms. Ginyard-Jones, that the Fairfax Water Board authorize the General Manager to execute a Revocable License Agreement for Installation and Maintenance of a Logo on the Tysons Corner Water Tank, between Fairfax Water and the Tysons Community Alliance, and that the Fairfax Water Board authorize the General Manager to execute correspondence or documentation as may be required by Fairfax County to facilitate abandonment of Comprehensive Sign Plan CSP-2014-PR-001. At Mr. Rubin's request, Mr. Zogg clarified that the version of the logo subject to approval is the version included on slide 5 of his presentation materials, which was approved by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on March 17, 2026. After the clarification was made, the motion was passed unanimously.

Closed Session #1

Mr. Cammarata moved, with a second by Mr. Dotson, that the Board go into closed session pursuant to 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 and 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. Cammarata moved, with a second by Mr. Rubin, 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. Dotson, Mr. Day, Mr. Cammarata, Mr. Begovich, Chairman Allin, Mr. Roberson, Mr. Rubin, Mr. Griffin, Ms. Colleton. Ms. Ginyard-Jones recused herself from the closed session shortly after it began, leaving the room upon learning the topic under discussion. As a result, she did not participate in the vote to certify the closed session.

Matters by Members

- Mr. Roberson provided a recap of his introductory meeting with the new Braddock District Supervisor, Rachna Sizemore-Heizer.
- Mr. Cammarata inquired when the Board would receive an update on the Stop Card safety initiative. Ms. Hedges confirmed that staff would be giving a presentation on the matter later in the evening.
- Mr. Begovich requested an update on the potential land lease relating to the Chantilly Maintenance Facility. Chairman Allin confirmed that it was scheduled to be discussed in Closed Session later in the evening.
- Chairman Allin noted that Members expressed interest in making an update to the Vision Statement presented during the Strategic Plan 2030 Work Session held earlier in the evening. Additionally, Mr. Cammarata requested that the Board receive an opportunity to review the Strategic Plan 2030 draft in more detail before it is presented for a vote on April 23.

- Following brief discussion, Mr. Cammarata moved, with a second by Mr. Roberson, to update the word “enriching” to “enhancing” in the Strategic Plan 2030 Vision Statement.” The motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Cammarata then moved, with a second by Mr. Dotson, that the Board identify a set time or session to further discuss the draft Strategic Plan. After further discussion on the matter, the motion was withdrawn and the Board scheduled a Work Session for April 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Matters by Staff

Ms. Hedges addressed the following:

- Reported that Fairfax Water participated in the Alexandria Environmental Policy Commission’s February 23, 2026, meeting on PFAS, with Mr. Dewhirst presenting on Fairfax Water’s PFAS strategy.
- Informed the Board that on March 2, 2026, she participated in a panel discussion held by the Council of Governments to discuss water issues and data centers.
- Highlighted the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies’ newly released policy statements, included in the Handouts packet.
- Reminded Members that there is a full Board Meeting schedule over the coming months, noting in particular the Employee Awards Luncheon and daytime Board Meeting on May 21, 2026, at the Griffith Water Treatment Plant.
- Introduced Mr. Miller to present on Fairfax Water’s Safety Performance and Initiatives.

Appropriations

The Board approved an increase in appropriations for four projects totaling \$1,160,427. A detailed description for each project appropriation is included with the Board Packet for this Meeting.

Project 2729, Division 1 – Poplar Heights Tank Replacement

The Board authorized the General Manager to grant a revocable license agreement to the owners of 7403 Tower Street in Falls Church for a driveway extension on Fairfax Water property.

Project 2789, Division 1 – Griffith Treatment Plant PAC Feed System

The Board appropriated funds in the amount of \$2,800,000 to Project 2789, Division 1 and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract amendment with Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company in an amount not to exceed \$2,541,120 for the early procurement of two PAC storage silos and to provide additional preconstruction services for the PAC carrier pipeline.

Project 2805, Division 1 – Edgemon Reservoir Phase 1 Conversion Planning

The Board appropriated funds in the amount of \$625,000 to Project 2805, Division 1 and authorized the General Manager to execute a task order with Arcadis U.S., Inc. in the amount of \$532,261 to support master planning efforts associated with the Edgemon Reservoir Phase 1 conversion.

Project 2753 - Griffith Treatment Plant PFAS Pilot and Study Division 4 - PFAS Lab Analysis

The Board approved a contract amendment to increase the estimated expenditures by \$480,000, for a new estimated contract amount of \$680,000, utilizing WSSC Contract No. 48039, for a term effective through June 28, 2029. Actual expenditures may be more or less subject to actual operational requirements. Additionally, the Board appropriated funds in the amount of \$385,000 to Project 2753, Division 4.

Occoquan Shoreline Easement Policy – Exception Request

After discussion on the matter, Mr. Roberson moved, with a second by Mr. Griffin, that the Board approve an exception to the Occoquan Shoreline Easement Policy allowing the Prince William County Department of Parks and Recreation to construct a prefabricated steel truss pedestrian bridge as proposed in the Board package of March 19, 2026, for a public use trail contingent on:

1. Execution of Addendum Number 3 to the Master License and Covenant Agreement of September 4, 2020, as included in the Board package of March 19, 2026, and
2. Execution of an Amendment to the existing Deed of Lease between the Prince William County Board of Supervisors and the Lake Ridge Parks and Recreation Association dated March 11, 2014, to include Segment 6 of the public use trail.

The motion passed unanimously. Following the vote, Mr. Day thanked staff for the memo prepared and distributed to Board Members which provided a helpful overview and explanation of the Occoquan Shoreline Easement Policy.

Update to Fairfax Water Bylaws

Mr. Griffin moved, with a second by Mr. Roberson, that the Board adopt the proposed revisions to the Fairfax Water Bylaws, as prepared by Counsel, to formally incorporate the December 11, 2025, decision to adopt Robert's Rules of Order to govern Board and Committee Meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

Closed Session #2

Mr. Cammarata 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 or consideration of assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of Fairfax Water, specifically related to certain Fairfax Water employees, 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 Chantilly Maintenance Facility, 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 Nathan Barasa Wangusi v. Fairfax County Water Authority, et al., Fairfax County Circuit Court, CL-2026-0003408 and 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 the Tauxemont Community Well System and the Washington Aqueduct.

Upon conclusion of the closed session, the open session resumed, whereby Mr. Cammarata moved, with a second by Mr. Rubin, 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: Ms. Ginyard-Jones, Mr. Dotson, Mr. Day, Mr. Cammarata, Mr. Begovich, Chairman Allin, Mr. Roberson, Mr. Rubin, Mr. Griffin, Ms. Colleton.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.



Joseph Cammarata, Secretary