MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF MAY 12, 2022

Board Members Present: Jim Almond (remote), Paul Colangelo, Jr., Dean E. Dickey, Joyce P. Eagles, K. Jack Kooyoomjian, Ph.D., B. Paul O'Meara, Jr., Marlo Thomas Watson, and Harry Wiggins.

Staff: Calvin D. Farr, Jr., Sandra Hardeman, Astrid Nelson, Don Pannell, Lake Akinkugbe, Lyle Beefelt, Samer Beidas, Kathy Bentz, Michelle Bouchard, Rachel Carlson, Michael Fox, Hari Kurup (remote), Tony Nguyen, Tony Piccione, Doug Shoop, Brian Sipes, Shannon Spence, Jeanetta Williams, April Bean and Kim Murray.

Legal Counsel: Mark Viani/Bean Kinney & Korman, P.C.

Mr. Almond joined the meeting remotely at 6:40 PM from his home for personal reasons.

1. CALL TO ORDER and GENERAL MATTERS

Chairman O'Meara called the meeting to order at 6:47 PM.

a) Mr. Farr noted staff was excited to be a part of the Prince William-Manassas Regional Science & Engineering Fair, which showcases the incredible talent of local students. He asked Ms. Michelle Bouchard, Education and Outreach Coordinator, to share the Prince William County Service Authority (Service Authority) Organizational Award Winners. Ms. Bouchard provided a Power Point presentation of the students’ names and winning entries.

b) Consideration of Approval of Minutes of April 14, 2022 Board Meeting

Chairman O'Meara asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes of the April 14, 2022 Board Meeting. Dr. Kooyoomjian noted he previously offered one minor edit to Ms. Murray. The minutes were approved as corrected.

c) Consideration of Approval of Minutes of April 28, 2022 Budget Work Session

Chairman O'Meara asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes of the April 28, 2022 Budget Work Session; hearing none, the minutes were approved as presented.
d) **Consideration of Announcements by Staff**

Mr. Farr noted the following items at Board Members’ places: (1) 2022 Water Academy Flyer; and (2) a copy of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Proposed Operating & Capital Budget and his email dated May 9, 2022 which answered questions about the budget that were previously submitted by Board Members.

e) **Citizens’ Time**

There were no citizens attending who signed up to speak.

2. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman O’Meara noted he received a request earlier this week to pull approval of the FY2023 Operating & Capital Budget (Budget) from the Consent Agenda. He stated he would entertain a motion for approval of the Prince William County Service Authority FY2023 Operating & Capital Budget and FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program.

a) **Approval of the Prince William County Service Authority Fiscal Year 2023 Operating & Capital Budget and Fiscal Year 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program (CIP).**

Motion: Mr. Dickey moved that the Prince William County Service Authority Board of Directors hereby approves the Prince William County Service Authority FY2023 Operating & Capital Budget and the FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program.

Second: Mrs. Thomas Watson

*This motion was amended and approved in two parts as set below.*

Motion: Mr. Wiggins moved to divide [separate] the two budgets.

Second: Mrs. Eagles

Ayes: Wiggins, Eagles, Almond (remote), Colangelo, Dickey, Kooyoomjian, O’Meara, Thomas Watson

Chairman O’Meara called for a vote on the motion to approve the Prince William County Service Authority FY2023 Operating & Capital Budget.

Ayes: Dickey, Thomas Watson, Almond (remote), Colangelo, Eagles, Kooyoomjian, O’Meara, Wiggins

Chairman O’Meara called for a motion to approve the FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program.

Motion: Mr. Dickey moved that the Prince William County Service Authority Board of Directors does hereby approve the Prince William County Service Authority FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program.

Second: Dr. Kooyoomjian

Motion: Mr. Wiggins moved to amend the motion to approve the FY2023-2027 CIP as follows:

a) WAT-138: Staff will determine the culpability of Dominion Energy regarding the corrosion of the water main on Possum Point Road;

b) WAT/WST/SPS: Staff is to select one project with a value greater than $5,000,000 that is not receiving any federal funding, and include a Project Labor Agreement in the Request for Proposal; and,
c) WST-104 and WST-110: These projects will require vendor certifications by AMPP Levels QP 1 and QP 2.

Second: Dr. Kooyoomjian

a) WAT-138: Mr. Wiggins referenced the problems on Possum Point Road with the coal ash ponds (now consolidated into one pond) that Dominion Energy has had for many years. He noted the coal ash pond contains heavy metals and corrosive materials that have leached into the soil on Possum Point Road because the ponds are not properly lined. Before the Service Authority spends rate payer money to replace the water lines, he would like to know whether Dominion Energy has some culpability in this matter (whether that is determined through a study or possible litigation).

b) WAT/WST/SPS: In terms of a Project Labor Agreement, he stated his belief that it is something that will come to the Service Authority with every project in the near future. He noted the Prince William Board of County Supervisors (BOCS) approved an ordinance on May 10, 2022 that requires wage equity. The ordinance is effective immediately, although the BOCS is delaying it until July 1, 2022 so they can put some procedures in place to implement the ordinance.

c) WST-104 and WST-110: Mr. Wiggins stated these two projects should require certifications by contractors; he shared his safety concerns on this item.

Mr. Wiggins asked Board Members to consider these three issues for amending the CIP.

Mr. Dickey stated he is not opposed to discussing these issues and looking into them in more detail in the future, but right now he doesn’t know enough about what Mr. Wiggins asked. He asked that the Board approve the CIP and table the items to bring up as amendments in the future when they can be discussed in some detail.

[This motion was withdrawn by Mr. Wiggins as set forth below.]

Motion: Mrs. Eagles moved to table Mr. Wiggins’ amendment until staff can research and provide more information to Board Members.

Second: Mr. Almond

[No vote was taken on this motion to table the amendment. As stated, the previous motion was later withdrawn, and this particular motion became moot.]

Dr. Kooyoomjian agreed Board Members need to better understand the issues. Mr. Dickey noted staff needs to begin working on the CIP projects; he stated he would like the Board to approve the CIP and then move forward to learn more about the issues.

Chairman O’Meara asked Mr. Wiggins if he would like to withdraw his motion [to amend the CIP], noting the Board would look into the matters in the future.

Mr. Almond agreed Board Members need to have more information to discuss and decide on the three issues; he agreed that tabling the amendment was a good idea. Dr. Kooyoomjian commented that the Board should approve the CIP so staff can move forward on the projects; he agreed the Board should have more discussion later on Mr. Wiggins’ points.

Mr. Wiggins withdrew his original motion to amend the FY2023-2027 CIP.
Motion: Mr. Wiggins made another motion to amend the original motion (to approve the CIP). He moved that the CIP be approved as presented with the caveat that the three (aforementioned) items he raised be brought back before the Board as a regular agenda item in the near future (such date to be determined by the Chairman and General Manager).

Second: Dr. Kooyoomjian

[A vote was not taken on this motion to amend the pending motion to approve the FY2023-2027 CIP.]

Mr. Dickey asked Mr. Farr if staff had any concerns about these actions. Mr. Farr stated there were no concerns; he advised he would prefer staff do the research on the items raised and take the information back to the Board for consideration and discussion.

Chairman O’Meara called for a vote on the motion to approve the Prince William County Service Authority FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program.

Ayes: Dickey, Kooyoomjian, Almond (remote), Colangelo, Eagles, O’Meara, Thomas Watson, Wiggins

Directive: As directed by the Board of Directors, staff will investigate the following three items and present their findings to the Board in the near future:

a) WAT-138: Staff to investigate whether Dominion Energy has some culpability for the corrosion of water lines on Possum Point Road.

b) WAT/WST/SPS: Staff to investigate Project Labor Agreements.

c) WST-104 and WST-110: Staff to investigate the QP 1 and QP 2 certifications.

3. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

a) Mr. Farr provided an update on the April 21 Kidz@Work Event. He noted more than 40 children and grandchildren of Service Authority employees and Board Members attended the event at the H.L. Mooney Advanced Water Reclamation Facility (Mooney).

b) Mr. Farr reported on the May 4 Infrastructure Week event at Mooney, which was hosted by Congressman Gerry Connolly and attended by local elected officials and three Service Authority Board Members. He stated it was a privilege to showcase the facility and staff. The tour was followed by a roundtable discussion about issues affecting the water and wastewater industry and how the federal government may be able to assist. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will provide $55 billion for clean water initiatives, the single largest investment in water infrastructure in American history.

c) Mr. Farr noted the recent community meetings with residents of Four Seasons and Heritage Hunt went very well; both projects are on track.

d) Mr. Farr advised the Service Authority’s Continuous Improvement & Innovation Awards will be presented Wednesday, May 18 (8:30-10 AM) at the Grubbs Building at Mooney. Board Members are invited to attend.

e) Mr. Farr announced copies of the Customer Service Survey Results and Staff Report will be provided at the end of the meeting. This year, the Service Authority received an average overall satisfaction rating of 9.1 (on a scale of 1-10) with 90% of respondents scoring the Service Authority an 8, 9, or 10.

f) Mr. Farr reminded Board Members of the Board Vision Work Session on Thursday, May 26 at 5:00 PM (with a working dinner).
Look ahead for June:

g) Mr. Farr noted the BOCS is hosting a work session on June 7 to discuss water quality in the Occoquan Reservoir. Presentations from Fairfax Water, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission, the Occoquan Watershed Monitoring Lab, and Virginia Department of Environmental Quality are planned. Mr. Farr and Mr. Pannell will attend to answer any questions about Service Authority operations, although they anticipate the discussion will focus on land use and stormwater runoff.

h) Mr. Farr advised a closed meeting is needed.

4. ATTORNEY’S TIME

Mr. Viani noted a closed meeting is needed under Code of Virginia § 2.2-3711A1, Personnel, and § 2.2-3711A7, Litigation.

Chairman O’Meara requested a motion to authorize a closed meeting to discuss items under Code of Virginia § 2.2-3711A1, Personnel, and § 2.2-3711A7, Litigation.

Motion: Mrs. Thomas Watson
Second: Mr. Colangelo
Ayes: Thomas Watson, Colangelo, Almond (remote), Dickey, Eagles, Kooyoomjian, O’Meara, Wiggins

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Akinkugbe provided a brief presentation on the March 2022 Monthly Financial and Operational Report. Discussion was held.

6. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS PRESENTED BY MEMBERS

Mr. Dickey stated the customer satisfaction numbers are fantastic; he commended staff on the great job they are doing. Mr. Dickey stated the Science & Engineering Fair was a great event and shared congratulations to the staff and winners.

Mrs. Eagles reported she spoke with staff who were working in her neighborhood. She congratulated staff on doing an excellent job with the Heritage Hunt project and also on the Infrastructure Event with Congressman Connolly. Mrs. Eagles noted the Audit Committee met with the auditor from PB Mares on May 5, 2022 and the audit is on track.

Mr. Colangelo congratulated Mr. Farr and the leadership team. He noted he met with Mr. Kurup to review the information technology work. He noted staff has done a nice job on having the culture come back together in returning to the office. Mr. Colangelo commended the employee who delivered his Board package. He expressed his appreciation with staff as he learns more about the industry.

Mr. Wiggins thanked staff for the great job they did on the event with Congressman Connolly. He noted the Audit Committee elected Mrs. Eagles as Chair.

Dr. Kooyoomjian spoke about a sprinkler issue at his home; he called Service Authority staff to check it and commended them on their wonderful response. He also commended staff on the CIP and added that the Service Authority’s community outreach program is excellent.
Chairman O’Meara stated he enjoyed the meeting with Congressman Connolly. He congratulated Mr. Farr on representing the Service Authority so well. He added that he has attended and enjoyed several recent events. Mr. O’Meara encouraged Board Members to attend the Water Academy if their schedules allow. He noted he continues to be impressed with the high quality of work from everyone he meets at the Service Authority. The Chairman also thanked the Board for passing the FY2023 budgets.

7. CLOSED MEETING

Chairman O’Meara announced a closed meeting at 8:04 PM to discuss items under Code of Virginia § 2.2-3711A1, Personnel, and § 2.2-3711A7, Litigation.

Upon conclusion of the closed meeting at 9:22 PM, and in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, a motion was made by Mrs. Thomas Watson and seconded by Mr. Dickey to return to an open meeting certifying that to the best of the members’ knowledge, the only matters considered were those that were appropriate to be discussed under Code of Virginia § 2.2-3711A1, Personnel, and § 2.2-3711A7, Litigation.

CERTIFICATION FOR CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Prince William County Service Authority Board of Directors has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and,

WHEREAS, § 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Prince William County Service Authority Board of Directors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William County Service Authority Board of Directors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Thomas Watson
Second: Mr. Colangelo
Ayes: Thomas Watson, Colangelo, Almond (remote), Dickey, Eagles, Kooyoomjian, O’Meara, Wiggins

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:23 PM.

Mr. Almond disconnected from the meeting at 9:23 PM.

[Signature]
Harry W. Wiggins
Secretary-Treasurer