

MINUTES
Liaison Committee Meeting
May 03, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., at the Fauquier County Water and Sanitation Authority Conference Room, 7172 Kennedy Road, Vint Hill Farms, Warrenton, Virginia.

Present:

Board of Supervisors (BOS): Rick Gerhardt, Vice Chairman, Holder Trumbo, Member.

Authority Board: Raymond Graham, Chairman, Bill Downey, Secretary/Treasurer.

County Staff: Paul McCulla, County Administrator, Kimberly Fogle, Director, Community Development, Andrew Hopewell, Community Development, Gary Schwartz, Fauquier County Construction Manager and Miles Friedman, Economic Development,.

WSA Staff: Butch Farley, General Manager, William Skinker, Associate General Manager/CFO, Cheryl St. Amant, Associate General Manager/Director of Operations, Mary Sherrill, Director of Engineering, Debbie Whitley, Director of Finance, and Nikki Saulsbury, Personnel Administrator.

Guests: Henry C. Day, Esquire- Authority's local counsel, Lou Emerson, FauquierNow.com, Julie Bolthouse, PEC, Charles Riedlinger, Resource International and James Ivancic, Fauquier Times.

1. **Holder Trumbo called the meeting to order.**

2. **Approval of the Agenda:**

Without objection, the Agenda was approved as published.

3. **Approval of the Minutes:**

On motion by Mr. Downey and **seconded** by Mr. Graham to approve the 25 February 16 Minutes.

4. **Catlett/Calverton Sewer Project:** Gary Schwartz began by stating that following the February Liaison Committee meeting staff moved

forward with the instruction given and re-engaged with Resource International whom prepared the 2011 Preliminary Engineers Report(PER) which was the basis of design for the Northwest Cascade unsolicited PPEA. Charlie Riedlinger updated the PER and created a Technical Report and has since received comments back from the Authority. The report includes two potential solutions: (1) construct a force main with grinder pumps at an estimated cost of \$8 million, or (2) construct gravity fed sewer lines with the estimated cost of \$13 million. The estimates for both options include upgrading the pipes and pump station at the airport and rock exploration, rock excavation and potential easement and Right-Of-Way acquisitions. Mr. McCulla added that the Board of Supervisors would like the Authority to consider the \$8 million force main and grinder pump project for the Catlett/Calverton system. Mr. Downey inquired as to whether the estimate included connecting the customers' private lateral lines or would the Authority be responsible for constructing and connecting the service lines. Mr. Riedlinger responded stating that the estimate does include the construction of the private lateral lines as well as the grinder pump for each home. The customer will need to have the lateral connected to the grinder pump. Mr. McCulla added that for the customers who engaged during the incentive period, the Board hopes to cover their costs for connecting the laterals to the grinder pumps. Under the proposal the customers will own the grinder pumps which will include a 5 year warranty. Typical life cycles for a grinder pump are 7-10 years and the replacement cost is roughly \$1,800. Mary Sherrill stated that prior to the Authority Board agreeing to move forward with the force main option, they would need to see a PER which will take both options into consideration and will provide the engineer's most feasible option which may be a hybrid like what was suggested in the 2005 PER. After further discussion the County will move forward with conducting a PER which will include the construction and life cycle operational/maintenance costs for both options. Mr. McCulla concluded stating that he will forward the information to the BOS by the June Board meeting.

5. **Bonding for County Projects:** Mr. McCulla addressed the Committee stating that the County has a number of road projects, one being the Vint Hill project. The Authority has bonding requirements for each project and the County would like for WSA to waive the bonds for these projects but not the fees. Ms. Fogle added the County has received a performance bond from the contractor in which the entire cost of the project is covered; the Authority has accepted these performance bonds in the past for other projects. Mr. Graham added the Authority will add the Bonding for County Projects to the Agenda for the May Board meeting and Mr. Day will draft a Memorandum

waiving the bond requirements for County projects to which the Board will vote on.

6. **Funding for Opal Project:** Mr. McCulla stated the Opal project has been placed in the County's FY17 CIP. The County will begin modifying the most recent funding agreement with the hopes of having the final agreement before the Board in June.

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.