

The Virginia Rural Water Association's Board of Directors met Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at the Augusta ExpoLand, Fishersville, Virginia.

Members Present:

Pam Baughman – President, Louisa County Water Authority, Region IV
Mike Lynn – Albemarle County Service Authority, Region II (At-Large)
Mike Ritchie – Secretary/Treasurer, Town of New Market, Region III
Roy Markham – Castlewood Water and Sewer Authority, Region I
Tom Delbridge – Vice-President, City of Emporia, Region V (At-Large)
Todd Day – Town of Tazewell, Region I (At-Large)
Todd Kilduff – Goochland County Public Works Region IV (At-Large)

Members Absent: (excused absence)

Mark Estes – Halifax County Service Authority, Region V
Frank Davis - Campbell County Utilities & SA – Region II

Staff Member Present

Myrica Keiser – Executive Director

Todd Day provided the invocation.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Pam Baughman – President.

Roll Call:

Mike Ritchie – Secretary/Treasurer certified that the above members were present and there was a quorum.

Approval of the minutes June 17, 2016

On a motion by Roy Markham and seconded by Mike Lynn, the Board agreed to approve the minutes of June 17, 2016. Motion carried.

Consent Calendar:

On a motion by Tom Delbridge and seconded by Mike Ritchie, the Board agreed to approve the Wastewater Contract for 2016-2017. Motion carried.

President's Report:

Pam Baughman, President welcomed everyone and especially newest member Todd Kilduff (Goochland County Public Works) who was appointed by the board to complete the term of Danny Buchanan. She also congratulated Tom Delbridge as he was appointed as NRWA Director representing Virginia.

National Director's Report:

Tom Delbridge thanked everyone for their vote of confidence in him and hoped that he will be able to serve the association as needed. He reported that he has already completed his board training through NRWA. Water Pac and the NRWA Affinity Programs were both well discussed.

Executive Director's Report:

Myrica Keiser, Executive Director stated that her report was included in the board packet and ask if anyone had any questions. She stated that at this date there still was no word on the EPA Technical Assistance program. Donna Lawson has completed the wastewater operating plan and was ready to be submitted. Myrica Keiser also reported that the EPA/WW operating plan was also completed.

Myrica Keiser also reported that Frank Nadeau had resigned due to health problems.

Committee Reports:

Expo: It was reported that the numbers were down from last year.

24 vendors

110 attendees

There was discussion as to look into having this event in the fall. Board asked Myrica Keiser to check with the Manager of the facility to see what dates were available.

Legislative: Pam Baughman reported that AquaLaw had taken the lead on the discussion regarding the potential reallocation of Nutrient and Phosphorous limits. She reported that some localities are fortunate and have been able to optimize the treatment process and have excess allocations. EPA is considering taking away those excess credits and reallocating them to other facilities. If this happens economic development in localities that have allocations taken away could be greatly impacted.

New Business:

State Board Training – It was reported that NRWA requires 51% of the state's board to complete board training. Members were asked to review their calendars and see if they would be able to attend the training in December. Members were to confirm with Myrica Keiser.

Conference Report:

Rates for 2017 were discussed with suggestions from the Conference Committee. On a motion by Mike Lynn and seconded by Roy Markham, the Board agreed to increase vendor fees by \$25.00. Motion carried.

Approvals:

On a motion by Tom Delbridge and seconded by Roy Markham, the Board agreed to approve the Wastewater Operating Plan, and EPA/WW plan for 2016-2017. Motion carried.

Other Board Comments

Todd Day wanted to give his apologies to the board and staff for missing a training class that he was supposed to have been part of.

Board recognized that John Aulbach has retired from the ODW and that Drew Hammond was named as Acting Director.

Next board meeting will be Friday, November 18, 2016 at 10:00 am at the Buena Vista office.

On a motion made by Tom Delbridge and seconded by Todd Day the Board agreed to adjourn the meeting August 17, 2016. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.