PRINCE WILLIAM WATER

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MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF JULY 9, 2026

Board Members Present:	Jim Almond (via Microsoft Teams), Dean E. Dickey, Michael Garcia II, Charles A. Grymes, K. Jack Kooyoomjian, Ph.D., B. Paul O'Meara, Jr., Marlo Thomas Watson
Staff:	Calvin D. Farr, Jr., Don W. Pannell, Astrid B. Nelson, April Bean, Shani Goodson, Glenn Peason, Jonathan Okafor, Lyle Beefelt, Audrey Arnold-Mitchell, Lee-Anne Dandrea, George Hoke, Daniel Nguyen, Michelle Miranda, Bijay Subedi, Navdeep Nara, Jim Turner, Michael Fox, Cindy Bittner, Shailaja Poluru and IT Support Staff.
Legal Counsel:	Mark Viani/Bean Kinney & Korman, P.C.
Guests:	Dan Buckley, Garney; Richard Kincheloe, Dewberry; Edmund Alfa-Doku, GFT; David Parker, GFT.
Board Members Absent:	Paul Colangelo, Jr.

Mr. Jim Almond joined the meeting via Microsoft (MS) Teams at 3:58 PM.

1. CALL TO ORDER and GENERAL MATTERS

Chair O'Meara called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

a) Consideration of Minutes of June 11, 2026 Board Meeting

Chair O'Meara confirmed there were no amendments to the minutes of the June 11, 2026 Board Meeting; the minutes were approved as presented.

b) Announcements by Staff

At Places: Mr. Farr noted the following items were at Board Members' places: (1) Revised July 9, 2026 Board Meeting Agenda; (2) Minutes of the June 11, 2026 Board Meeting; (3) Letter from Fairfax Water Board Chairman to Chair O'Meara; and (4) 2026 Water Quality Report.

d) Public Comment Time

No one signed up to address the Board of Directors (Board).

2. PRESENTATION

a. Presentation of Board Member Service Award Pins

Mr. Farr presented milestone length of service award pins to Mrs. Marlo Thomas Watson (5-year pin), Mr. Paul O'Meara, Jr. (5-year pin) and Dr. Jack Kooyoomjian (30-year pin).

3. ACTION MATTER

a) Approval of Agreement SA-2611A with Garney Companies, Inc. to Provide Design-Build Services for the Featherstone Sewage Pumping Station, L16, and Force Main Project

Motion: Mr. Dickey
Second: Dr. Kooyoomjian
Ayes: Dickey, Kooyoomjian, Almond (via MS Teams), Garcia, Grymes, O'Meara, Thomas Watson

Dr. Kooyoomjian asked about contract details, which were addressed by Mr. Beefelt. He also shared comments regarding the best value bid philosophy and highlighted the guaranteed maximum price clause.

4. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

a) Mr. Farr provided a drought update.
b) Mr. Farr noted the 2026 Water Quality Report at places.
c) Mr. Farr shared the Executive Team met with Fairfax Water's Executive Team to discussion transition as Ms. Jaime Hedges retires at the end of the month.
d) Mr. Farr reported he was elected as Treasurer of the Upper Occoquan Service Authority (UOSA) Board of Directors.
e) Mr. Farr shared updates on summer Community Outreach events, highlighted the Summer edition of the customer newsletter, and announced the release of the latest episode of *Behind the Tap* podcast with Shailaja Poluru, Director of People and Talent, talking about Prince William Water being a Workplace of Choice. In addition, he shared an overview on the Class of 2026 Water Academy and announced an upcoming media opportunity through Public Broadcast System (PBS) that will promote Prince William Water to a national audience.
f) Mr. Farr announced Jake Harrison earned third place nationally in the meter challenge for the second consecutive year at the American Water Works Association ACE26 conference. He also shared staff members presented on various topics, and over 15 employee volunteers participated throughout the conference. He expressed Prince William Water was well represented with strong audiences and positive outcomes.
g) Mr. Farr shared staff celebrated Virginia Drinking Water and Wastewater Professionals Appreciation Day with our Annual Ice Cream Social on June 30, 2026.

h) Mr. Farr announced Prince William Water participated in the U.S. Water Alliance's Water Equity Network Workforce Development Task Force over the last 20 months and was recognized with a Certificate of Achievement for our Human Resources Team, Shailaja Poluru and Gina Callirgos, for developing a pre-apprenticeship program in partnership with the Office of Community Safety, Prince William County.

i) In response to a question from Mr. Garcia regarding the status of the 16-inch waterline leak under I-95, Mr. Pannell confirmed the water line remains valved off with no impact to system operations. Staff is in the process of evaluating two different repair technologies to ensure a cost-effective, long-term solution is implemented.

j) Mr. Garcia mentioned a question asked during the 2026 Water Academy regarding the drought and suggested the Question & Answer be added to the website drought information.

k) Mr. Farr stated a closed meeting is required this evening.

5. ATTORNEY'S TIME

Mr. Viani confirmed a closed meeting is needed for matters under Code of Virginia § 2.2-3711A3, Real Estate, 2.2-3711A6 Investment of Public Funds, and 2.2-3711A7 Litigation.

Chair O'Meara requested a motion to authorize a closed meeting to discuss items under Code of Virginia § 2.2-3711A3, Real Estate, 2.2-3711A6 Investment of Public Funds, and 2.2-3711A7 Litigation.

Motion:	Mr. Garcia
Second:	Mr. Dickey
Ayes:	Garcia, Dickey, Almond (via MS Teams), Grymes, Kooyoomjian, O'Meara, Thomas Watson

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Chair O'Meara asked if Board Members had any comments or questions on the Administrative Reports.

Mr. Grymes highlighted the flows going to UOSA on May 24, 2026 and asked if Prince William Water is storing peak flows in the ponds near Splashdown Water Park. Mr. Pannell clarified that ponds near Splashdown Water Park are controlled by UOSA, which decides when to hold or release excess flows.Mr. Grymes suggested we create Frequently Asked Questions to inform the public that UOSA is responsible for operational decisions and complaints regarding holding water in ponds near Splashdown Water Park and include contact information for UOSA.

Dr. Kooyoomjian highlighted two key points from the administrative reports: first, Prince William Water is deferring a sewage pump station project for eight months to give the Department of Parks and Recreation time to construct a pedestrian bridge, which he fully supports and commended staff for recognizing the importance of inter-departmental coordination. Second, he noted that an initial plan to repair a tank (WST 110) evolved into a full replacement after further evaluation. He praised the collaborative decision-making process, the professionalism of staff, and expressed gratitude for their effective and proactive handling of projects.

7. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS PRESENTED BY MEMBERS

Mr. Grymes commented on updates from the Department of Environmental Quality, PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) concerns, cooling water scarcity area designation, and ongoing challenges with salinity in the Occoquan Reservoir, with staff providing context and outlining ongoing engagement with regulatory bodies.

Dr. Kooyoomjian inquired on the nitrogen levels in the May 2026 Mooney Operating Results. Mr. Pearson noted levels could be elevated due to operational factors and ongoing pilot tests, with no single source identified, and assured the subsequent months would show improvement. Mr. Pannell provided additional context on the complexity of nitrogen management and the diligence required by staff.

Mr. Dickey asked about road widening projects, and a fish kill in the Potomac. Staff confirmed routine coordination with Virginia Department of Transportation, with no impacts to Prince William Water projects. Staff also confirmed that the recent fish kill in the Potomac near Washington D.C. had no impact on Prince William Water operations. Mr. Dickey also expressed his gratitude and admiration for Prince William Water staff.

Mr. Garcia echoed Mr. Dickey's commendation of staff and praised the 2026 Water Academy for its informative and well-organized program, highlighting his positive experience. He expressed newfound appreciation for the staff's dedication, especially their in-house maintenance efforts.

Mr. Almond also expressed his ongoing pride in being associated with Prince William Water, acknowledging the organization's excellence. He asked how recent record heat and current weather conditions have affected water usage and what the implications are for the organization. Staff shared even with high water demands, Prince William Water was only using about two-thirds of its total capacity; the system was able to meet these demands without difficulty. Storm-related power outages posed challenges, but backup generators and quick staff response prevented any service disruptions.

Mr. O'Meara thanked Mr. Pannell for his recent assistance with a business owner's concerns about a Capital Improvement Program project and successfully mitigating their issues. He announced an August recess, with the next meeting scheduled for September 10, 2026 and wished everyone a great summer.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Chair O'Meara announced the closed session would begin after a brief recess at 4:53 PM.

Upon conclusion of the closed meeting at 5:41 PM, and in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, a motion was made by Mrs. Thomas Watson and seconded by Mr. Kooyoomjian 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 § 2.2-3711A3, Real Estate and § 2.2-3711A6, Investment of Public Funds and 2.2-3711A7 Litigation.

CERTIFICATION FOR CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Prince William Water 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 Water Board of Directors that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William Water 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. Garcia
Ayes: Thomas Watson, Garcia, Almond (via MS Teams), Dickey, Grymes, Kooyoomjian, O'Meara

9. ADDITIONAL ACTION MATTER
   a) Oppose Diversions from the Occoquan Watershed for Consumptive Reuse

Motion: Mrs. Thomas Watson
Second: Mr. Dickey
Ayes: Thomas Watson, Dickey, Almond (via MS Teams), Garcia, Grymes, Kooyoomjian, O'Meara

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43 PM.

Mr. Almond disconnected from MS Teams at 5:43 PM.

Marlo Thomas Watson
Secretary/Treasurer