

April 28, 2021

Memorandum #2021-72

TO: Directors of Utilities Committee

BY: Whitney Katchmark, Principal Water Resources Engineer

RE: Directors of Utilities Committee Meeting – May 5, 2021
RSVP – May 4, 2021

A meeting of the **Directors of Utilities Committee** will be held on **Wednesday, May 5, 2021**. The meeting will begin at **1:30 p.m.** The agenda and related materials are attached.

Pursuant to the declared state of emergency in the Commonwealth of Virginia in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to protect the public health and safety of the committee members, staff, and general public, the Directors of Utilities Committee meeting will be held electronically via Webex. Participants can join using the following information:

Join by computer: <https://hrpdc-418.my.webex.com/hrpdc-418.my/j.php?MTID=m7275661977c5f2353e4bb73b431d9b6f>

Join by phone: +1-415-655-0001

Meeting number / Access code: 126 164 8428

Password: 1234

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Attachments

Directors of Utilities Committee:

David Jurgens, CH
Russell Pace, FR
J. Chris Dawson, GL
Jason Mitchell, HA
Edward G. Henifin, HRSD
Donald Jennings, IW
Doug Powell, JCSA
Bo Clayton, NN
Frank James, NN
Yann A. Le Gouellec, NN

Robert Carteris, NO
James Wright, PO
Chad Krejcarek, PQ
David Howell, SH
Jack Reed, SM
Paul Retel, SU
Bob Montague, VB
Daniel G. Clayton III, WM
Brian K. Woodward, YK

Directors of Utilities Copy:

Erin Trimyer, CH
Stephen Watson, FR
Barry Dobbins, HA
Danny Poe, JCSA
Stephanie Luton, JCSA
Alan Benthall, NN
Kate Bernatitus, NN
Bud Curtis, NN
Joseph Durant, NN
Ron Harris, NN
Sue Houser, NN
Sherry Wright, NN
James J. Young, NN

Shannon White, NO
Garrett Feagans, PQ
Dennis Beale, SH
Amanda Smith, SH
Jeff Smith, SM
Jessie Snead, SM
Marilyn Crane, VB
Kenneth Sims, WN
Joe Sisler, YK
Phil Hubbard, HRSD
David Fauber, Cape Charles
Richard Stahr, Brown and Caldwell

HRPDC Staff:

Robert Crum
Keith Cannady
Whitney Katchmark

Katie Cullipher
Rebekah Eastep

**MEETING OF
DIRECTORS OF UTILITIES COMMITTEE
AGENDA
May 5, 2021
1:30 PM**

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1. Summary of the March 3, 2021 Meeting of the Directors of Utilities Committee

The summary of the March 3, 2021 meeting of the Directors of Utilities Committee is attached for review and approval.

Attachment 1: March 3, 2021 Meeting Summary

ACTION: Approve the meeting summary.

2. Public Comment

3. Help 2 Others Program update

HRPDC staff will provide an overview of the March 21st H2O Program partners meeting and review proposed changes to program administration, eligibility, allocation of funds, and collection of donations.

ACTION: Per discussion.

4. Federal Infrastructure Funds

HRPDC staff will share recent experiences in which the Congressional delegation requested input on regional priority projects across many sectors. Staff encourages discussion on how best to prepare for potential project requests for new Federal Infrastructure funding for drinking water and wastewater systems.

ACTION: Per Discussion

5. Lead and Copper Rule follow up

The LCR DUC subcommittee requested guidance and examples of how to conduct and document a lead service line inventory. One example is captured in the attached AWWA article on Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority. The committee is encouraged to discuss if any ideas would be worth duplicating in Hampton Roads. For example, would it be helpful to work on a regional website to document the lead inventories? Would it be helpful to create an app for multiple utilities to use in field data collection? How many utilities have already begun these efforts? The second article is on public perception of

public drinking water. Is the committee interested in this type of data? Would a regional survey be worthwhile?

Attachment 5A: LSLInventory.pdf

Attachment 5B: PublicPerception.pdf

ACTION: Per discussion

6. HRPDC / Mission H2O / New Aqualaw group

HRPDC staff will like to discuss the mission and strengths and weaknesses of the Mission H2O organization and newly formed group through AquaLaw (<http://www.vmdwa.org/>). Also, HRPDC staff will send out some questions about the best role for HRPDC and types of work for us to focus on such as data collection, facilitation, policy analysis, and GIS. This input will inform the recruitment of Katie Krueger's replacement.

ACTION: Per discussion

7. Utility Directors Roundtable Discussion

The Utility Directors will have the opportunity to discuss matters of mutual interest. Including:

- Emergency Debt Repayment Plan Updates
- Spending CARES Act funding
- Coronavirus updates
 - [Link to HRPDC Coronavirus Planning Hub](#)
- Lessons learned from the pandemic
- Legislative Updates

ACTION: Per discussion.

8. Other Business