

NORTHERN VIRGINIA REGIONAL COMMISSION

Minutes of the Commission Meeting Held Thursday, March 21, 2002

COMMISSIONERS

(The names of those present are highlighted)

Commissioner Hilda M. Barg	<i>County of Prince William</i>
Commissioner Charles J. Billand	<i>County of Loudoun</i>
Commissioner Albert J. Boudreau	Town of Vienna
Commissioner Christopher K. Brown	<i>Town of Dumfries</i>
Commissioner Sharon Bulova (arrived 6:51 p.m.)	County of Fairfax
Commissioner James C. Chesley	County of Fairfax
Commissioner William C. Cleveland	<i>City of Alexandria</i>
Commissioner Gerald E. Connolly	County of Fairfax
Commissioner Anna F. Dixon	<i>County of Fairfax</i>
Commissioner Albert C. Eisenberg	<i>County of Arlington</i>
Commissioner Barbara A. Favola	<i>County of Arlington</i>
Commissioner Jay Fisette	<i>County of Arlington</i>
Commissioner Robert C. Goessman	<i>City of Manassas</i>
Commissioner Brenda Z. Greene	County of Fairfax
Commissioner Penelope A. Gross	County of Fairfax
Commissioner Katherine K. Hanley, NVRC Chairman	County of Fairfax
Commissioner Mark R. Herring	<i>County of Loudoun</i>
Commissioner John F. Herrity	<i>County of Fairfax</i>
Commissioner Edgar B. Holley	<i>County of Prince William</i>
Commissioner Catherine Hudgins	County of Fairfax
Commissioner John D. Jenkins	<i>County of Prince William</i>
Commissioner David Kirkpatrick, Jr.	City of Fairfax
Commissioner Lyman Krekel	<i>City of Falls Church</i>
Commissioner Jesse Ludvigsen	<i>City of Manassas Park</i>
Commissioner John D. Marsh	<i>Town of Purcellville</i>
Commissioner Elaine N. McConnell	<i>County of Fairfax</i>
Commissioner Stuart Mendelsohn	<i>County of Fairfax</i>
Commissioner Charles Monroe	<i>County of Arlington</i>
Commissioner Michael O'Reilly	Town of Herndon
Commissioner Sally B. Ormsby	County of Fairfax
Commissioner Harry J. Parrish, II (arrived 6:47 p.m.)	City of Manassas
Commissioner Redella S. Pepper	City of Alexandria
Commissioner Alice Keane Putman	County of Fairfax
Commissioner R. Scott Silverthorne (arrived 6:50 p.m.)	City of Fairfax
Commissioner Robert Rapanut	<i>City of Alexandria</i>
Commissioner Lilla D. Richards	County of Fairfax
Commissioner Steven A. Rogers	<i>City of Falls Church</i>
Commissioner Kristen C. Umstattd, NVRC Treasurer	<i>Town of Leesburg</i>
Commissioner Don White	<i>County of Prince William</i>
Commissioner Edgar S. Wilbourn, III	<i>County of Prince William</i>
Commissioner William R. Wren (arrived 6:55 p.m.)	City of Manassas Park
Commissioner Scott K. York, NVRC Vice Chairman	<i>County of Loudoun</i>

STAFF PRESENT

G. Mark Gibb	<i>Executive Director</i>
Linda Tenney	<i>Deputy Director</i>
Linda Summerall	<i>Executive Secretary</i>
Kenneth Billingsley	<i>Director, Demographics</i>
David L. Bulova	<i>Director, Environmental Services</i>
Katherine Mull	<i>Environmental Planner</i>
Douglas Pickford	<i>Director, Economic Issues and Heritage Resources</i>
Sue Rowland	<i>Director, Human Services</i>
Michelle Simmons	<i>Deputy Division Director, Human Services</i>
James Van Zee	<i>Director, Regional Planning Services</i>

CALL TO ORDER Chairman Hanley called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

ROLL CALL The roll was called and all members present or absent were noted for the record.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT Chairman Hanley announced that agenda items would be taken out of order while waiting for an additional member to arrive to make a quorum.

Chairman Hanley introduced the Commission's latest member, David Kirkpatrick, representing the City of Fairfax as a citizen representative. The members welcomed Commissioner Kirkpatrick with a round of applause. Commissioner Kirkpatrick noted he has lived in the City of Fairfax for 17 years and is an account representative for a company selling wholesale electrical supplies.

The quorum was obtained with the arrival of Commissioner Parrish at 6:47 p.m.

MINUTES Commissioner Connolly moved approval of the minutes of the February 28, 2002, Commission meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

CONSENT AGENDA Commissioner Greene moved approval of the consent agenda, consisting of the items below. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

- A. Financial Reports for February 2002
- B. Resolution No. P02-28: Authorization to Submit a Technical Assistance Proposal to the Department of Environmental Quality's 2002-2003 Coastal Resources Management Program

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In addition to the monthly activities report included in the meeting package, Mr. Gibb called attention to three items.

The Reston Charrette will be held April 11-13 at the TRW building on Sunset Hills Road in Reston. All Commissioners are welcome to attend. Information is posted on NVRC's website.

Mr. Gibb welcomed Katherine Mull, who began work with NVRC on March 1 as an Environmental Planner.

Mr. Gibb announced that Sue Rowland, NVRC's Director of Human Services, will be leaving in April to pursue other opportunities. On behalf of the Commission, Commissioner Connolly commended Ms. Rowland for her work on the legislative program for the past two years. The Commissioners wished Ms. Rowland well and gave her a round of applause.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Commissioner Connolly noted that a post-session report of NVRC's legislative priorities had been distributed.

Commissioner Connolly stated he wanted to bring two items not in the report to the members' attention. A bill passed by Delegate Suit will require notification of all landowners in the zoning category when there is a text amendment to zoning ordinances.

Secondly, Commissioner Connolly reported that the budget contains a new requirement for certification for car tax reimbursement. The burden will be on the localities to produce positive certification that owners qualify for reimbursement; without this certification, the locality will not be reimbursed and must pay back the reimbursement from the previous year. Commissioner Connolly added that Fairfax County estimates its administrative cost will be a minimum of \$600,000, and the loss of revenue could be in the millions of dollars. Fairfax County has gone on record requesting the Governor's veto.

Commissioner Connolly then reviewed four Virginia Municipal League (VML) positions.

COMMITTEE
REPORTS

Regional Resources Commissioner Pepper reported that the Regional Resources Committee met prior to tonight's Commission meeting and discussed the fact that the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department (CBLAD) is being moved into the Department of Conservation and Recreation, with a two million dollar budget cut for CBLAD.

At Commissioner Pepper's request, Mr. Bulova explained that CBLAD provides a great deal of assistance to localities for implementing the Chesapeake Bay Act. A cut in CBLAD's budget will most likely result in a cut in the local technical assistance grants. Mr. Bulova added that just about every member government of NVRC has used this local technical assistance grant. The Regional Resources Committee recommends that NVRC send a letter to the Governor that before merging CBLAD into DCR, the state waits for the Wilder Commission's report and restores some of those funds to CBLAD. Commissioner Pepper moved the aforementioned recommendation. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business, Chairman Hanley adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by:

G. Mark Gibb
Executive Director

Katherine K. Hanley
Chairman