

MINUTES
PTRC Board of Delegates
October 20, 2021

Present

Marikay Abuzuaiter, City of Greensboro
Leroy Ault, Village of Tobaccoville
Kevin Austin, Yadkin County
Sam Bishop, Town of Elkin (Z)
Renee Bryant, City of Randleman (Z)
Mary Cameron, Village of Clemmons (Z)
James Cardwell, Town of Mayodan
Carly Cooke, Guilford County
David Cox, Town of Boonville
Monta Davis-Oliver, Town of Yadkinville (Z)
Lewis Dorsett, City of Archdale (Z)
Fleming El-Amin, Forsyth County
Johnny Farmer, Town of Stoneville (Z)
Alvin Foster, Town of Yanceyville
Victor Jones, City of High Point
Peggy Leight, Town of Walkertown (Z)
Yvonne Maizland, Town of Gibsonville (Z)
Rick McCraw, City of King
Rick Morris, Stokes County
Scott Needham, Town of Pilot Mountain (Z)
Mark Richardson, Rockingham County
LaShaunda Ryan, Town of Biscoe
Naydine Sharpe, Village of Alamance (Z)
Tobin Shepherd, City of Lexington (Z)
Don Truell, Davidson County
Van Tucker, Surry County (Z)
Marie Wood, City of Mount Airy
Steve Yokeley, City of Mount Airy
Filmore York, Town of Liberty (Z)
(Z) Denotes attendance via ZOOM

Absent

Kelly Allen, Town of Haw River
Wayne Atkins, Town of Dobson
Ian Baltutis, City of Burlington
Layton Booker, Town of Candor
Jim Butler, City of Burlington
John Byrum, Town of Midway
Darryl Carter, City of Eden
Vicki Caudle, Town of Ramseur
Perry Conner, Town of Franklinville

Absent

Rick Cross, Town of Bermuda Run
Anita Darnell, Town of Jonesville
Lynne Devaney, Town of Summerfield
David Fernandez, Town of Seagrove
James Festerman, City of Reidsville
Benita Finney, Davie County
John Flynt, Town of Stokesdale
Fred Franklin, Town of Lewisville
Darrell Frye, Randolph County
Susan Gordon, Town of Rural Hall
Carissa Graves-Henry, Town of Green Level
Danny Hairston, Town of Walnut Cove
Nathaniel Hall, Caswell County
Ricky Hall, City of Graham
Archie Hicks, Town of East Bend
John Larson, City of Winston-Salem
George McClellan, Town of Oak Ridge
John McDermon, Town of Rural Hall
Richard McNabb, City of Trinity
Chip Miller, Town of Mt. Gilead
Davis Montgomery, Town of Elon
Lynn Montgomery, Town of Jamestown
Howard Morgan, Town of Sedalia
Dennis Paschal, Town of Wentworth
Patty Phillips, City of Mebane
William Phillips, Town of Madison
Brenda Platt, Town of Madison
Damon Prince, Town of Troy
Terry Renegar, Davie County
Dottie Robinson, Montgomery County
Randy Rogers, Town of Bethania
Karen Scotton, Town of Staley
David Smith, City of Asheboro
Carla Strickland, Town of Pleasant Garden
Chris Thompson, Town of Kernersville
Craig Turner, Alamance County
Larry Ward, Town of Denton
Janet Whitt, Town of Danbury
Brian Williams, Town of Mocksville
Steve Yokeley, Town of Wallburg
Raleigh York, City of Thomasville

Chairman Kevin Austin welcomed the PTRC Board of Delegates and called the meeting to order at 12:04pm via Zoom and in person attendance. Mr. Austin welcomed guests including Ms. Marikay Abuzuaiter's husband, Isa. and Mr. Larry Davis from the City of Greensboro (via ZOOM). Chairman Austin requested a moment of silence and then led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Presentation: Presentation: Jordan Lake One Water Vision, Ms. Emily Barrett, Natural Resources & Resilience Program Manager, Triangle J Council of Governments

- a. Ms. Emily Barrett explained that Jordan Lake One Water (JLOW) is a partnership to facilitate cooperation and integrated water resource management in the Jordan Lake watershed.
- b. The group is comprised of local governments, conservation groups, universities, water utilities, agriculture, and private industry stakeholders interested in sharing the cost of water quality and quantity improvements in order to realize watershed-wide societal, economic, and environmental benefits.
- c. One Water principles share the mindset that all water has value. It is also a systems approach to focus on achieving multiple benefits.
- d. Ms. Barrett showed a map of the area that falls in the Jordan Lake watershed which includes about four counties. She also showed the water intake map which covers approximately seven counties.
- e. There is federal level support for this project including Radhika Fox with the Office of Water, ESEPA and Michael Regan at USEPA.
- f. JLOW seeks resilient water utilities, thriving places, competitive business and industry, robust agriculture, social and economic inclusion and healthy ecosystems.
- g. The goals have been simplified down to:
 - i. Goal 1 (Environmental) - To improve the hydrological, geological, and ecological function of the Jordan Lake watershed.
 - ii. Goal 2 (Societal) - To enhance the health, vitality, and well-being of the citizens and communities within the Jordan Lake watershed.
 - iii. Goal 3 (Economic) - To foster a robust, prosperous, and viable economy in the Jordan Lake watershed.
- h. Six work groups have worked together to come up with a two-part plan. Part one is to form a transitional JLOW organization. Part two is to co-develop a framework for collaboration between JLOW and the NCDEQ to address regulatory concerns including nutrient requirements.
- i. JLOW aspires to not add to existing obligations, but offer ways to get better results with no additional costs. JLOW also strives to make sure that water quality improvements are linked with things voters care about on a day to day basis.
- j. Next steps for JLOW include developing a path to create a "founding member" level of investment for communities for FY23 and to work with DEQ on the Jordan Lake Rules advocating for the approach outlined here.
- k. To view the full report visit: jlowonewatervisionfinalsept2021.pdf (tjcog.org)

2. Action Item: Request for Approval August 18, 2021 PTRC Board of Delegates minutes, Mr. Kevin Austin, Chair

3. Consent Items, Mr. Kevin Austin, PTRC Chair

- a. Request for approval to enter into the two contracts totaling \$3,250 for professional planning and GIS services with Thomasville and Caswell County
- b. Request for authorization to enter into contract with the North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services and local service providers for state Senior Center General Purpose funding for the period July 1, 2021 to May 30, 2022.
- c. Request authorization to enter into sole source contracts with nutrition partners for the grant period October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022
- d. Request to Apply for an EDA grant up to \$310,000 for a Regional Broadband Connectivity and Access Plan

4. NEW BUSINESS Action Item: Request for approval to accept the awarded HUD \$1,000,000 Weatherization Coordination Demonstration Grant Program, Mr. Michael Blair, Community Development Director

- a. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has awarded the PTRC, as a direct grant recipient, \$1,000,000 to partner with City of Greensboro's Lead-Safe Housing Program, University of North Carolina at Greensboro Center for Housing & Community Studies, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University Center for Energy Research and Technology, North Carolina Justice Center, and the North Carolina State Energy Program to implement a collaborative program to address housing issues of low-income families related to lead-based paint, healthy homes, and energy efficiency and weatherization. The PTRC is one of only five applicants nationwide to receive an award this round.
- b. The program will implement a protocol that includes joint applications, inspections/assessments and intervention measures that will reduce the burden on applicants to navigate multiple agencies for these services.
- c. The grant will include 20 homes that will receive services that have members of households living in units that include either a young child (age 6 or under), an elderly person (age 62 or over), a pregnant woman, or a person with a disability or illness that could benefit from home modification (e.g., poorly controlled asthma, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)) or the household has a high energy burden.
- d. Mr. Fleming El-Amin asked why Forsyth was not included. Mr. Blair answered that they did not have a current lead grant and that made them ineligible. It is the same for High Point and Burlington.
- e. Request for approval to accept the awarded HUD \$1,000,000 Weatherization Coordination Demonstration Grant Program

5. Roll Call vote for the Abovementioned Consent Items a-d and New Business Action Item 4.

- a. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Richardson
- b. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fleming El-Amin
- c. Roll call vote- Ayes: *Marikay Abuzuaiteer, Leroy Ault, Kevin Austin, Sam Bishop, Mary Cameron, James Cardwell, Carly Cooke, David Cox, Monta Davis-Oliver, Lewis Dorsett, Fleming El-Amin, Johnny Farmer, Alvin Foster, Victor Jones, Peggy Leight, Yvonne Maizland, Rick McCraw, Rick Morris, Scott Needham, Mark Richardson, Naydine Sharpe, Tobin Shepherd, Don Truell, Van Tucker, Steve Yokeley and Filmore York.*
- d. Nays: *none*
- e. Action Items 1, Consent Items 3a-i were approved.

6. Executive Director's Report, Mr. Matthew Dolge, Executive Director

- a. We appreciate you all being here and your support through the year.
- b. We submitted the Build Back Better application last week. Our proposal centered on Next Gen manufacturing. We had a great team of staff, national consultants and received over 70 letters of support. We feel good about our application. Matthew commended Jesse Day and David Putnam for their hard work.
- c. Mr. Dolge was just arriving back from NADO where he was elected Secretary on their Board of Directors. PTRC also received three awards for innovation on a national level.

7. Special Presentations

- a. **Distinguished Service Award, Mr. Kevin Austin, Chair**
 - i. Mr. Chris Wilson, City of Greensboro
- b. **Grady Hunter Regional Excellence Award, Mr. Kevin Austin**
 - i. Ms. Marikay Abuzuaiter, City of Greensboro
- c. **Randall Lake Billings Public Service Award, Mr. Matthew Dolge, Executive Director**
 - i. Ms. Hattie Gawande, NC DHHS

Mr. Kevin Austin thanked everyone for their attendance. The audit will be presented in November and officer elections will be held in December. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by general consensus at 12:55 pm.

Kevin Austin, PTRC Chair

Katie Mitchell, Clerk to the Board