



SUSQUEHANNA RIVER  
BASIN COMMISSION

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TO ALL CONCERNED:

At the June 17, 2021, Commission meeting, the draft minutes of the March 12, 2021, Commission meeting were approved as written. Please attach this notice to your copy of the March 12, 2021 minutes.



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**MINUTES OF THE  
SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN COMMISSION  
June 17, 2021  
#2021-02**

The meeting was held at the Susquehanna River Basin Commission in Harrisburg, Pa. Commission Chair Dorsey called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners Present**

*Dr. Suzanne Dorsey*, Assistant Secretary, Maryland Dept. of the Environment (MDE) via conference call  
*Ms. Aneca Atkinson*, Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) via conference call  
*Ms. Amy Guise*, Chief, Planning Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, (USACE) Baltimore District

**Alternate Commissioners Present**

*Mr. Saeid Kasraei*, Program Administrator, Water Supply Program (MDE) via conference call

**Staff Present**

*Mr. Andrew D. Dehoff*, Executive Director  
*Mr. Andrew J. Gavin*, Deputy Executive Director  
*Ms. Marcia Hutchinson*, Director, Administration & Finance  
*Mr. Jason Oyler*, General Counsel and Secretary  
*Mr. Gene Veno*, Director, Governmental Affairs & Public Advocacy  
*Mr. John W. Balay*, Manager, Planning & Operations

*Mr. Todd D. Eaby*, Manager, Project Review  
*Mr. Brydon Lidle*, Manager, Information Technology  
*Mr. Jamie Shallenberger*, Manager, Monitoring and Protection  
*Mr. Curtis Sebastian*, Assistant Counsel

**Also Present**

*Mr. Matthew Marko*, NYSDEC, Director, Region 7 via conference call  
*Ms. Valerie Cappola*, USACE, North Atlantic Division via conference call

*Ms. Summer Kunkel*, PADEP, Acting Director of Water Resources Planning via conference call  
*Mr. Brian Chalfant*, PADEP, Deputy Policy Director via conference call

## **1. Opening Remarks**

Commission Chair Dorsey opened the meeting by outlining the rules of conduct for the meeting. She noted that a public hearing was previously held on May 6, 2021 and the written comment period was open until May 20, 2021. The Commissioners introduced themselves.

## **2. Executive Director's Report**

Andrew Dehoff, Executive Director, provided some timely updates and other information pertinent to Commission operations and the business meeting agenda. With the completion of the revision to the *Comprehensive Plan for the Water Resources of the Susquehanna River Basin*, the Commission is looking forward to the next 50 years. Mr. Dehoff also took time to thank two people who have been an important part of SRBC's mission over several years. Appreciation was expressed to mark the retirements of advisor Rhonda Manning of PADEP and federal alternate commissioner COL John Litz.

## **3. Election of Officers**

At the end of each fiscal year, the Commission elects its officers for the upcoming fiscal year.

By motion of Commissioner Atkinson and seconded by Commissioner Dorsey, the U.S. Government was elected Chair and the State of New York as Vice-Chair of the Commission with a 3-0 vote, effective for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021.

## **4. Minutes of March 12, 2021, Commission Meeting**

On a motion by Commissioner Guise, seconded by Commissioner Atkinson, the minutes of the regular business meeting of March 12, 2021, were approved as written by a vote of 3-0.

## **5. Environmental Justice Resolution**

Secretary of the Commission and General Counsel presented Resolution 2021-05 (Exhibit A) adopting plans and procedures to address environmental justice, diversity, and inclusion in public and internal operations.

The resolution was presented with an addition to resolve #3 as follows: "The Commission shall rely on the designation of environmental justice areas and communities by its member jurisdictions, and consult with the member jurisdictions periodically to update these designations."

By motion of Commissioner Guise, seconded by Commission Atkinson, the vote to adopt the resolution was 3-0.

## **6. FY2022 Budget Reconciliation**

Director of Administration and Finance Marcia Hutchinson presented Resolution 2021-06 adopting the proposed budget reconciliation for Commission Fiscal Year 2022, which will cover the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

On a motion made by Commissioner Atkinson, seconded by Commissioner Guise, Resolution 2021-06 (Exhibit B) was adopted by a vote of 3-0.

## **7. Contracts and Grants**

Ms. Hutchinson presented the following grant agreements for ratification:

### **a. Chesapeake Bay Non-Tidal Network Monitoring (PADEP)**

Staff requested that the Commission ratify the signing of this grant agreement. Through this grant, staff will continue to assist the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) with the Sediment and Nutrient Assessment (SNAP) component of its Chesapeake Bay Watershed program. Staff will continue to conduct monthly and periodic high flow stormwater sampling at Pennsylvania's six Susquehanna River Basin SNAP monitoring sites and to analyze and report flow-adjusted trends for sediment and nutrient loads within the Susquehanna River Basin. PADEP will supply the total cost of \$116,300.

### **b. Development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (PADEP)**

Staff requested that the Commission ratify the signing of this grant agreement. Through this grant, staff will continue to assist the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) in its Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) program component of its Chesapeake Bay Watershed program. Specifically, staff will continue closely coordinating with PADEP's Central Office and South-central Regional office in piloting the multi-year Alternative Restoration Plan in the extensively-impaired Chiques Creek watershed. Staff will also continue to coordinate with core partners and PADEP to perform work, including aqueous chemistry, flow, channel geometry and habitat data collection, compilation and interpretation activities, with an intent to develop an Alternative Restoration Plan for Octoraro Creek in future years. Work in both of these areas includes providing on-going operation and maintenance of real-time continuous in-stream monitoring (CIM) stations. PADEP will supply the total cost of \$159,000.

A motion was made by Commissioner Guise and seconded by Commissioner Atkinson to ratify these two grant agreements. The agreements were ratified by a vote of 3-0.

## **8. Updated Comprehensive Plan Adoption**

Deputy Executive Director Andrew Gavin presented Resolution 2021-07 (Exhibit C) adopting an update to the *Comprehensive Plan for the Water Resources of the Susquehanna River Basin*. The proposed plan includes priorities for a 20-year period based on stakeholder input and member coordination and is the basis for the Water Resources Program (FY2022-2024) and the FY2022 budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Atkinson and seconded by Commissioner Guise to adopt Resolution 2021-07. The resolution was adopted by a 3-0 vote.

## 9. FY2022-2024 Water Resources Program

Mr. Gavin presented the proposed FY2022-2024 Water Resources Program for adoption by the Commission in accordance with the requirements of the Compact.

A motion was made by Commissioner Guise and seconded by Commissioner Atkinson to adopt Resolution 2021-08 (Exhibit D), adopting the proposed FY2022-2024 Water Resources Program. The resolution was adopted by a 3-0 vote.

## 10. Docket Actions

Mr. Eaby presented a staff memorandum containing details and recommendations regarding the following list of project applications:

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| 1. ARD Operating, LLC (West Branch Susquehanna River) Lycoming County, Pa. (Exhibit E1)    | 8. Quarryville Borough Authority (Well 2) Lancaster County, Pa. (Exhibit E6)  |
| 2. Beech Resources, LLC (Lycoming Creek), Lycoming Township, Lycoming County, Pa.          | 9. SUEZ Water Owego-Nichols Inc. (wells 1, 3, & 4)Tioga County N.Y. (Exhibit E7)  |
| 3. CAN DO, Inc. (Humbolt Wells 1, 3, 7, 8 & 9) Luzerne County, Pa. (Exhibit E2)            | 10. Weaverland Valley Authority (Well 4) Lancaster County, Pa. (Exhibit E8)   |
| 4. Geneva Farm Golf Course, Inc., Harford County, Md. (Exhibit E3)                         | 11. City of Aberdeen, Harford County, Md.   |
| 5. Greenfield Township Municipal Authority (Well-PW4) Blair County, Pa. (Exhibit E4)       | 12. Municipal Authority of the Borough of Mansfield (Webster Reservoir) Tioga County, Pa. (Exhibit E9)                    |
| 6. Pennsylvania State University (Well UN-37) Centre County, Pa.                           | 13. Williamsport Municipal Water Authority (Wells 3-9, Mosquito Creek, &Hagermans Run) Lycoming County, Pa. (Exhibit E10) |
| 7. PPG Operations, LLC (West Branch Susquehanna River) Clearfield County, Pa. (Exhibit E5) |   |
- Highlight = tabled.  
Highlight = withdrawn.  
Highlight = terminated.

Commissioner Atkinson moved and Commissioner Guise seconded a motion that the Commission adopt the recommendations of staff for the 13 project applications, including two Commission initiated modifications, one withdrawn project, one tabled project and one terminated application. The motion was approved by a 3-0 vote.

## ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Guise moved and Commissioner Atkinson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commission Chair Dorsey adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

September 17, 2021  
Date Adopted

  
Jason E. Oyler  
Secretary to the Commission

