

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
GEORGE WASHINGTON REGIONAL COMMISSION**

February 23, 2009, 6:30 p.m.
Gibbons Conference Room
406 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg, Virginia

PRESENT AND VOTING: CAROLINE: David M. “Maxie” Rozell, Jr.;
FREDERICKSBURG: Matthew J. Kelly (Secretary), Mary Katherine Greenlaw; **KING
GEORGE:** James B. Howard; **SPOTSYLVANIA:** Henry “Hap” Connors (1st Vice Chairman),
Benjamin T. Pitts; **STAFFORD:** Mark Dudenhefer (Chairman), Robert “Bob” Woodson.

ABSENT: Robert J. Popowicz, Caroline County; Dale Sisson (2nd Vice Chairman), King George
County.

STAFF: Robert H. Wilson, Executive Director; Lloyd P. Robinson, Director of Transportation;
Kevin F. Byrnes, Director of Regional Planning; Diana Burton Utz, Director of
GWRideConnect; Andy Waple, Senior Regional Planner; David J-H. Lee, Senior Regional
Planner; Jean Hamilton Ivester, Operations Manager; Marti Donley, Public Participation
Coordinator; Danny Reese, Assistant Regional Planner.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Dudenhefer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a
quorum present, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE GWRC AGENDA: Mr. Kelly requested that a new item 10.c.,
Resolution No. 09-04, “Recognizing the Dedicated Service of Jean Hamilton Ivester,” be added
as an action item under New Business. Mr. Kelly then made a motion that was seconded by Mr.
Woodson to approve the agenda as modified. The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JANUARY 26, 2009:
Mr. Wilson noted that in the draft minutes, the date “November 18, 2008” erroneously appears
in the heading for the section addressing the approval of the minutes. He asked that the minutes
be amended to change the date in that heading to “November 17, 2008,” which was reflected
correctly in the body of that section of the draft minutes. Mr. Kelly made a motion that was
seconded by Mr. Howard to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was unanimously
approved.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT: No comments were offered from the public.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mr. Wilson reported that cash flow had been strong and he extended
his thanks to Quintin Elliott and Jamie Brown-Porter of the Department of Transportation for
their assistance in pushing through several past-due Commission invoices.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Mr. Wilson reported that VDOT accepted the
recommendation of the Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions to equally divide
“Rural Transportation Planning Grant” funds among the planning district commissions rather
than having a competitive grant program. This action will result in the Commission receiving a
\$10,000 increase in rural transportation funding in Fiscal Year 2010, to \$58,000. This will
concomitantly increase the required local match from \$12,000 to \$14,500.

OLD BUSINESS

Regional Neighborhood Stabilization Program

Mr. Byrnes reported that all localities in Planning District 16 except King George County approved the Regional Neighborhood Stabilization Program, and he added that the application had been sent to the Department of Housing and Community Development on February 10, 2009. Official notification should be received within a few weeks.

Other Old Business: No other old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Funding from the Department of Defense for a Secure Telework Center Pilot Program in Stafford County

Mr. Wilson informed the members that he had requested funding through Congressman Rob Wittman's office for funding from the Department of Defense to undertake a pilot program to ascertain the feasibility and potential long-term usage of a telework center with appropriate security features that would enable federal employees with high-level security clearances (who are currently prohibited from using regular telework centers like those operated by the Commission) to telework. He indicated that he would continue to share information as it becomes known, and he reminded the Commission members that acceptance of those funds – if awarded – would rest with them.

Resolution No. 09-03, Appointments to the Regional Green Government Commission

On a motion made by Mr. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Connors, the Commission unanimously approved Resolution No.09-03 appointing members to the GW Region Green Government Commission.

Resolution No. 09-04, Recognizing the Dedicated Service of Jean Hamilton Ivester

On a motion made by Mr. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Howard, the Commission unanimously approved Resolution No. 09-04. Chairman Dudenhefer then presented Ms. Ivester with a plaque as a token of the Commission's esteem for her service.

Resolution No. 09-03, Appointments to the Regional Green Government Commission

On a motion made by Mr. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Connors, the Commission unanimously approved Resolution No.09-03 reappointing or appointing members to the GW Region Green Government Commission.

Other New Business: Mr. Rozell introduced the topic of a regional law enforcement telecommunications. Mr. Wilson was asked to collect information on this matter and report on it at an upcoming Commission meeting.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the Commission meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert H. Wilson, AICP
Executive Director

(Draft minutes prepared by Jean Hamilton Ivester, Operations Manager)