

**AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY, HELD ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2013, 7:00 P.M., MULTI PURPOSE ROOM #2, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Gary Creed	-Chair
	James Politis	-Member
	Christopher Tuck	-Member
	Matthew Gabriele	-Member
	Annette Perkins	-Member
	Mary Biggs	-Secretary-Treasurer
	William Brown	-Vice Chair
	Robert C. Fronk	-PSA Director
	Karri Cridlin	-Secretary to PSA Board
	Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	Marty McMahan	-County Attorney
	Joel Donahue	-Planning Commission

**ABSENT:**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Creed called the meeting to order and determined that a quorum was present.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**R-13-02-01  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
ELECTION OF CHAIR**

On a motion by William Brown, seconded by Christopher Tuck, and carried; IT WAS RESOLVED, that Gary D. Creed by and hereby is, elected Chair of the Montgomery County Public Service Authority until term expiration date of February 17, 2014, or until the election of his successor.

The vote on the foregoing motion is as follows:

YES	NO	ABSENT
Gary Creed		
James Politis		
Mary Biggs		
Annette Perkins		
William Brown		
Christopher Tuck		
Matthew Gabriele		

**R-13-02-02  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

On a motion by James Politis, seconded by Annette Perkins, and carried; IT WAS RESOLVED, that William Brown be and hereby is, elected Vice Chair of the Montgomery County Public Service Authority until term expiration date of February 17, 2014, or until the election of his successor.

The vote on the foregoing motion is as follows:

YES	NO	ABSENT
Gary Creed		
James Politis		
Mary Biggs		
Annette Perkins		
William Brown		
Christopher Tuck		
Matthew Gabriele		

**R13-02-03  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
ELECTION OF SECRETARY-TREASURER**

On a motion by James Politis, seconded by William Brown, and carried; IT WAS RESOLVED, that Mary Biggs be and hereby is, elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Montgomery County Public Service Authority until term expiration date of February 17, 2014, or until the election of her successor.

The vote on the foregoing motion is as follows:

YES	NO	ABSENT
Gary Creed		
James Politis		
Mary Biggs		
Annette Perkins		
William Brown		
Christopher Tuck		
Matthew Gabriele		

**R13-02-04  
RESOLUTION APPROVING  
REQUEST FOR NON-SCHEDULED  
VEHICLE REPLACEMENT**

On a motion by William Brown, seconded by Christopher Tuck, and carried; IT WAS RESOLVED that the Public Service Authority does hereby approve the purchase of a non-scheduled vehicle replacement. The funds for this vehicle will be funded from current operating cash.

The vote on the foregoing motion is as follows:

YES	NO	ABSENT
Gary Creed		

James Politis  
Mary Biggs  
Annette Perkins  
William Brown  
Christopher Tuck  
Matthew Gabriele

**PUBLIC ADDRESS SESSION**

Mr. Steve Spradlin of 1553 Oilwell Road appeared before the board with concerns on Oilwell Road.

Mr. Jeffrey Nester of 1645 Oilwell Road appeared before the board with concerns on Oilwell Road with low water pressure and water outages.

Mr. James Richardson of 1675 Oilwell Road appeared before the board with concerns on Oilwell Road with low water pressure and fire safety.

Mr. Mike Norin with Price Realty appeared before the board with concerns for water to be supplied to 825 Oilwell Road.

Sharron Norin with Price Realty appeared before the board with concerns for water to be supplied to Price's Mountain.

Lawrence Womack of 1625 Oilwell Road appeared before the board with concerns with low pressure and water outages along with fire safety.

**DELEGATION**

Mr. William Price appeared before the board about finding a solution for water supply to Oilwell Road lots.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by James Politis, seconded by Mary Biggs, and carried; IT WAS RESOLVED, that the Public Service Authority hereby approves the Consent Agenda, dated February 04, 2013.

The vote on the foregoing motion is as follows:

AYE	NAY	ABSENT
Gary Creed		
James Politis		
William Brown		
Christopher Tuck		
Annette Perkins		
Mary Biggs		
Matthew Gabriele		

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
DATED NOVEMBER 05, 2012**

On a motion by James Politis, seconded by Mary Biggs, and carried; IT WAS RESOLVED, that the Public Service Authority hereby approves the minutes dated January 7, 2013.

The vote on the foregoing motion is as follows:

AYE	NAY	ABSENT
Gary Creed		
Christopher Tuck		
James Politis		
William Brown		
Mary Biggs		
Annette Perkins		
Matthew Gabriele		

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial report for period ending January 31, 2012, was presented for review and discussion.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

1. Monthly Activities Report  
The monthly activities report was presented for review.
2. Riner Sewage Treatment Plant Copper and Zinc Removal System  
The Riner Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) permit issued September 21, 2008 included new stringent limits for copper and zinc effective September 21, 2012. The stringent copper and zinc permit limits are due to the small receiving stream to which the STP discharges. We selected an "end of process" ion exchange system using specifically charged media in canisters. This system is designed to specifically capture copper and zinc on the contractor supplied media in canisters and when exhausted, the media would be regenerated at the contractor's facility. We completed the system installation during the second week of September 2012.  
We experienced operational concerns after start-up due to several issues. We worked through several solutions with limited improvements. We met on-site with the contractor to evaluate and review options on several occasions. Based upon this evaluation and the contractor's recommendation, we installed a bag filter on the pump supply to the canisters. The bag filter was placed into service on November 28, 2012 which improved operations but not to the level expected.  
We are continuing to evaluate the system and are developing options to address the operational concerns.
3. New Auburn Hill School –Route 8 Project  
The project is progressing towards the roadway relocation phase. The proposed road relocation is to be placed over and existing sanitary sewer that was not constructed to handle traffic loads. In order to be able to withstand traffic loading, one section of the sewer main and 6 sewer manholes will need to be replaced with structurally adequate materials.
4. Highland at Huckleberry Ridge Development  
The developer has contacted us and indicated that they are close to finalizing their funding and expect to start work soon. We are working with them on meeting requirements for plan approval including payment of fees.
5. Water Break at Rowe Furniture  
On Thursday August 23, 2012, a large water main break occurred in the 10" fire main within the Rowe Furniture property. It was unclear as to the ownership of the water main as all records on hand are inconclusive. Because of the water loss, business shutdown and uncertain documentation, the PSA Director agreed to have the PSA maintenance

crew fix the break with the understanding that the PSA would seek reimbursement if the water main turned out to be Rowe's responsibility.

We researched all available records and found no record of a public water line easement for the 10" fire main. Without a public easement, the fire main would be considered private. Rowe representatives also did not have conclusive documentation relative to ownership and requested additional time to investigate.

We notified Rowe in January 2013 that without additional information, we are taking the position that the water line is private since there is no public easement. We are still waiting on reply.

6. January 15 through 20, 2013 Storm Impacts

We were fortunate in handling the heavy rains and snowstorm during this period. We suffered a hydraulic overload of the Riner sewage treatment plant that washed out solids for about 4 hours due to the heavy rains (+/- 5 inches). We also had a sewage backup from the Plum Creek pump station because the New River backed up into the system due to the heavy rains. Due to the snowstorm, we lost electric power supply to two sewage treatment plants, two sewage pump stations, two water wells, one water pump station and a water tank control system. We were able to maintain all operations by use of standby generators, portable pump and manual operation of facilities. Normal operation was restored to all facilities January 20, 2013.

7. FY14 Budget

Preparation has begun on the FY14 budget using preliminary information. This budget will include water and wastewater rate increases due to jointer expenses and inflation. We expect to receive complete expense data during February and have a completed budget for review during the March 2013 PSA Board meeting.

8. Position Advertisement

On January 25, 2013, Mike Davis, Wastewater Operator tendered his resignation effective February 1, 2013. Advertisements for a wastewater operator will be run on February 3, and 10, 2013. We plan to conduct interviews so we can fill this position as soon as possible.

## **AUTHORITY MEMBERS' REPORT**

Member Gabriele	-No Report
Member Politis	-No Report
Member Perkins	-No Report
Member Brown	-No Report
Member Tuck	-No Report
Member Biggs-	would like to know what costs would be to have generators at all water pump stations
Member Creed	-No Report

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned this meeting to the next meeting scheduled for March 4, 2013.