

**Hampton Roads Planning District Commission**  
**Executive Committee Meeting**  
**Summary Minutes of September 15, 2016**

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission was called to order by the Chair at 9:30 a.m. in the Regional Boardroom, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia, with the following in attendance:

**Commissioners:**

Dr. Ella P. Ward, Chair (CH)  
Michael Hipple, Vice Chair (JC)  
Marcus Jones, Treasurer (NO)  
Debbie Ritter (CH)  
James Baker (CH)  
Barry Cheatham (FR)  
Randy Martin (FR)  
J. Brent Fedors (GL)  
Donnie Tuck (HA)\*  
Mary Bunting (HA)  
Randy Keaton (IW)  
Rex Alphin (IW)  
Bryan Hill (JC)  
McKinley Price (NN)  
Jim Bourey (NN)  
Saundra Cherry (NN)  
Mamie B. Johnson (NO)

Traci Crawford (PQ)  
J. Randall Wheeler (PQ)  
Lydia Pettis Patton (PO)  
Kenneth Wright (PO)\*  
Michael Johnson (SH)  
Barry Porter (SH)  
Patrick Roberts (SU)  
Tyrone Franklin (SY)  
Robert Dyer (VB)\*  
Louis R. Jones (VB)  
Dave Hansen (VB)  
Barbara Henley (VB)  
Paul Freiling (WM)  
Marvin Collins (WM)  
Neil Morgan (YK)  
Thomas Shepperd (YK)

**Executive Director:**

Robert A. Crum, Jr.

\*Late arrival or early departure.

**Others Recorded Attending:**

Brian DeProfio (HA); Jeff Raliski, Michelle Washington, Ron Williams (NO); Bob Baldwin, Sherri Neil (PO); Brian Stilley, Jerri Wilson (NN); Leroy Bennett (SU); Tom Leahy, Bob Matthias, Brian Solis (VB); Cathy Davison (Albemarle Commission Regional Council of Government); Cathy Aiello (Aiello Enterprises); Craig Quigley, Rick Dwyer (HRMFFA); Will Christopher (HRPTA); Bryan Pennington (Civic Results, LLC); Ross Grogg (Kemper Consulting); Mike Lindsay, Clint Null (Mode 5); Gary Webb, Scott Lovell (Parson Brinckerhoff); Mark Geduldig-Yatrofsky (Portsmouth City Watch); Tracey Baynard (McGuire Woods Consulting); Elizabeth Kersey, John Broderick, (ODU); Taylor Reveley, Henry Broadus, Fran Bradford (William & Mary); Ken Yarberry (RK&K); Eric Stringfield (VDOT); Drew Lumpkin (Senator Mark Warner); Citizens: John Gergely, Ellis James, Brenda Johnson, Donna Sayegh; Staff: Kelli Arledge, Shernita Bethea, Nancy Collins, Katie Cullipher, Rebekah Eastep, Andrea Gayer, Kathlene Grauberger, Greg Grootendorst, Whitney Katchmark, Sara Kidd, Sharon Lawrence, Mike Long, Jai McBride, Ben McFarlane, Camelia Ravenbakht, Chris Vaigneur, Johnadler, Jill Sunderland, Joe Turner, Beth Vandell.

## **Approval/Modification of Agenda**

Chair Ward requested modifications or additions to the agenda. Hearing none Commissioner Barry Cheatham Moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Thomas Shepperd. The Motion Carried.

## **Submitted Public Comments**

Mr. Robert Crum, HRPDC/HRTPO Executive Director, indicated there were no Submitted Public Comments and asked to proceed to the Public Comment period.

## **Public Comment**

Ms. Donna Sayegh, Portsmouth Resident, voiced concerns about the Hampton Roads Help to Others program and how it was established. Additionally, Ms. Sayegh expressed her concerns with the working relationship between the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC) and the City of Portsmouth in an effort to provide down payment and closing cost assistance to qualified low and moderate income homebuyers in the City of Portsmouth.

Mr. Mark Geduldig-Yatrofsky of Portsmouth City Watch conveyed his displeasure of not receiving an official notice electronically or publicly for the legislative workshop that was held on August 31, 2016.

Mr. Ellis James, Norfolk Resident, called attention to the importance of Tom Leahy's support for the Roanoke River Basin Association (RRBA). Additionally, Mr. James voiced concerns regarding the General Assembly's interference with the restoration of voting rights of people who have been convicted of non-violent crimes.

## **Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Crum briefed the Commission on the Workshop Session with the General Assembly held on August 31, 2016. Mr. Crum stated that the conversation was in preparation for the upcoming General Assembly session which included discussion on the need to increase state funding for public education, Air BnB and the need for localities to have decision-making for each jurisdiction, and the Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) injection project, and their need to receive assistance from the state for land subsidence monitoring. Mr. Crum also informed the Commission that the Regional Legislative Agenda for 2016 will be presented at the annual board meeting in October.

Mr. Crum reported that the Police Chiefs of each locality were invited to the CAO committee meeting held on September 14th, where there were a total of fifteen CAOs, and twelve Police Chiefs in attendance. Mr. Crum stated there was a tremendous round table discussion and information exchange for which he will prepare a summary and deliberate with the CAOs in order to present recommendations to the Commission.

## **Approval of Consent Items**

Mr. Crum highlighted the following items in the Consent Agenda for approval:

- A. Meeting Minutes – July 21, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting
- B. Transcribed Public Comment – July 21, 2016 Quarterly Commission Meeting
- C. Hampton Roads H2O (HELP TO OTHERS) Program – Memorandum of Agreement
- D. HRPDC Housing Program Budget Amendment

Chair Ward called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Rex Alphin Moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Commissioner Thomas Shepperd. The Motion Carried.

## **Roanoke River Basin Association**

Tom Leahy, City of Virginia Beach Deputy City Manager, briefed the Commission on the Lake Gaston Project and how it eliminated a major water shortage that impacted the Southside of Hampton Roads. Mr. Leahy presented charts and graphs to the Commission that demonstrated how the Roanoke River Basin and Lake Gaston intersect at the North Carolina State line. He gave examples of how Hampton Roads benefits from the Lake Gaston Project.

Mr. Leahy described the Roanoke River Basin Association (RRBA) as a non-profit, nongovernmental agency highly dependent on people that are dedicated to protecting water resources in the Basin. The City of Virginia Beach and RRBA partnered to oppose Uranium Mining in order to protect water quality. The RRBA has also addressed coal ash in the Roanoke River Basin, which includes major rivers that feed into the reservoir system. The RRBA has worked with the City of Virginia Beach on hog lagoons and poultry processing mass operations that generate large amounts of waste. The RRBA is funded by dues and voluntary contributions from individuals and local governments, and funds typically fluctuate with the economy averaging around \$30,000 per year.

Mr. Leahy informed the Commission that the previous Director, Andrew Lester, who worked for nominal pay, passed away, and the RRBA is in desperate need of a new Director or full-time Administrator. Hampton Roads derives immeasurable benefits from the Lake Gaston Project. Mr. Leahy concluded by stating that the request from the RRBA, which Virginia Beach supports, is for HRPDC to make a \$50,000 per year grant to RRBA so that they can employ a permanent full-time Administrator and continue their mission to help protect the region's water resources.

Commissioner Louis Jones stated that the comments Mr. Leahy made in regards to the benefits South Hampton Roads receives from Lake Gaston are completely accurate because Mr. Leahy was the primary Engineer of that project, and also the expert in all of the legal testimony that took place. Commissioner Jones also stated that Hampton Roads hasn't used ground water in over twenty years because of the availability of Lake Gaston's water. He

also pointed out that the City of Virginia Beach participates in the regional groundwater mitigation program and funds approximately 25% of the cost of the program because Virginia Beach sees the program as a benefit for the entire region. Commissioner Jones asked that the Commission show its appreciation for the Lake Gaston project and the benefit that it provides to South Hampton Roads by contributing to the RRBA. Commissioner Jones expressed how important it is to the City of Virginia Beach having the RRBA as a partner. Commissioner Jones stated that this is an extremely important move for South Hampton Roads, and recommended that the Commission move to support the program.

Commissioner McKinley Price of Newport News voiced his concerns with the RRBA in that there are not any clear goals or specific timelines. He also stated this project isn't a pure regional issue, so it would be hard to justify supporting it to the citizens of Newport News.

Commissioner Alphin stated that he shared similar concerns with Mayor Price, and asked if this is an annual salary position that the Commission as a whole will support, and what kind of accountability will that position have. He also asked if the RRBA would provide the HRPDC with reports, or if the organization plans to partner with businesses such as agriculture. He stated that some sense of relationship needs to be there before the Commission establishes a position in this.

Mr. Leahy answered by stating that the City of Virginia Beach makes a number of contributions to the volunteer fire and rescue squads in the region and supports the pump stations. Virginia Beach also makes a larger regulatory mandated contribution to fight noxious weeds in lakes so that citizens don't use chemicals improperly to fight those weeds. The City requires that such organizations provide their annual budget in order to see how the funds are being allocated each year, and renew the contributions based on documentation that determines if it is an appropriate contribution.

Commissioner Jim Bourey proposed that the jurisdictions involved pay a small fee based on their population. He also stated that it would be the appropriate strategy because it only involves a small number of jurisdictions that are a part of HRPDC.

Commissioner Paul Freiling asked what the HRPDC's track record is funding staff positions, and what the policy is on funding Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO). Commissioner Frieling stated that this appears to be an issue that needs to go through the budget process where there is a comprehensive discussion on funding, and then it would be allocated over the course of the year. He also stated that if something comes up midstream, then the locality might consider it as something to bridge the gap and bring to the Commission.

Chair Ella Ward stated that presenting this proposal to the Personnel and Budget Committee is certainly a consideration.

Commissioner Traci Crawford stated that while Poquoson would not have a direct benefit from voting for this, she thinks that everyone benefits from fighting for clean water. She also stated that one of the main priorities of the government is protecting citizens. While government focuses on regional issues such as transportation and education, drinking

water is also going to be an important topic. Commissioner Crawford indicated that it is the Commission's duty to consider the RRBA proposal in an effort to help citizens of the state have access to water, and protect it from chemicals such as uranium. She stated that it would be remiss and neglectful not to do so.

Vice Chair Michael Hipple stated that a Memorandum of Agreement would need to be put in place, and he suggested the Commission present this topic to the Personnel and Budget Committee in order to get more clarification on unanswered questions prior to voting on this matter.

Chair Ward asked what kind of connection the Commission would have to the selected Executive Director if this proposal is approved. She also asked if there would be direct contact between the Executive Director of the RRBA and the Commission. Chair Ward stated that several questions need to be answered before the proposal is considered.

Commissioner James Baker stated that there are probably some areas that need to be explored, and suggested the organization take some time to review the proposal.

Commissioner Jones stated that because cities on the other side of the Bridge-Tunnel do not directly receive water from Lake Gaston, it should not be the deciding factor as to whether or not the Commission supports this particular initiative. He also stated that Lake Gaston's water is important to Hampton Roads because South Hampton Roads itself contributes significantly to the entire economic activity of Hampton Roads. There is no vacuum between the Northside of Hampton Roads and the Southside of Hampton Roads. Commissioner Jones also stated that citizens all over the Hampton Roads region will benefit by virtue of the fact that sufficient water is available to South Hampton Roads and provided to citizens that reside in other localities throughout the region, who are employed in South Hampton Roads. Commissioner Jones indicated that it is in the Commission's best interest as a region to support a group who looks out for Hampton Road's interests by fighting to protect the Roanoke River Basin from pollution caused by uranium and coal contamination as well as hog waste infestation. He suggested that the Commission support this project without hesitancy, and moved that the Commission support the proposal as presented.

Commissioner Debbie Ritter proposed a substitute motion in order to continue the discussion with the entire board, including the localities that are affected, and the Western Tidewater Authority.

Commissioner Jones stated that it is important that the Commission support the Roanoke Basin Community.

Commissioner Dave Hansen stated that if it is not a critical emergency, perhaps the Commission could come up with a viable solution.

Commissioner Jones stated that the facts are not going to change regardless if the proposal is delayed by a month or two.

Commissioner Hansen stated that the City of Virginia Beach would really like the Commission's support and the funding. He suggested the Commission bifurcate the two things and get the regional support today by amending the substitute motion to state the HRPDC's support of the RRBA's work, and continue discussion on funding the pro rata share. Commissioner Hansen stated this is significantly important as a region to support.

Commissioner Bryan Hill asked the council of Virginia Beach for a specific timeline for the project.

Mr. Leahy stated that the RRBA does not have any leadership, so things are floundering as the association wonders what they need to do. The RRBA Board of Directors is made up of volunteers who all have full-time jobs, and the person that essentially volunteered forty to fifty hours a week for nominal pay has passed away. He informed the Commission that the reason the RRBA's proposal has come before the Board is because several months ago, Mayor Sessoms called a number of representatives from the Southside of Hampton Roads to view presentations and requests from the RRBA, and recommended that it be brought to the attention of the Commission. Mr. Leahy also pointed out that for the last 20 years, Hampton Roads has invested hundreds of thousands of dollars in the digital model with USGS that has characterized the groundwater in the region. That model has led to the knowledge that groundwater pumpage may be causing subsidence. Because the City of Virginia Beach is 25% to 30% of the population, the City was required to pay 25% to 30% of the groundwater development project. For decades, the City of Virginia Beach has provided funding to support regional groundwater protection and development when the City does not benefit from the project at all.

Mayor Price stated that the comments from the City Manager of Virginia Beach were good, and suggested that the board support the motion to bifurcate the issues, look at the funding mechanism, and then make a motion to support the project.

Chair Ward stated that the Board has a motion, and an amendment to the motion. The recommendation is that it goes to the Personnel and Budget Committee for further analysis and details. Ms. Ritter's motion was to continue the discussion and since there is an amendment, the board cannot have two amendments to the motion. Chair Ward also stated that the amendment may be something the board may include if the item passes, but that would include a continuation. If it fails, then it will go to the main motion.

Commissioner Crawford stated that she was unsure about the procedures, and requested a modification of the original motion. Commissioner Crawford suggested that the original motion be modified in order to request one year's funding.

Commissioner Ritter stated that she would be more than happy to amend the substitute motion if that would be the easiest way to address the item.

Commissioner Crawford stated that the Commission is about to spend over a billion dollars to pump treated sewage water underground in order to prevent land subsidence, and the Commissioners are fighting over \$50,000. Commissioner Crawford suggested that the

Commission contribute \$50,000 for one year, and then the board could continue the conversation.

Commissioner Ritter stated that in the interest of time, she would like to amend her motion to read that the Commission supports the work of Roanoke River Basin Association, and that the funding issue be forwarded to the Personnel and Budget Committee for a recommendation in 30 days at the next HRPDC meeting. Mr. Jones agreed with the amended motion.

Chair Ward asked Ms. Ritter if she's adding a one year stipulation.

Commissioner Ritter stated that she's asking the Personnel and Budget Committee to come back next month with a recommendation. That would give them the opportunity to talk to the affected localities and perhaps the Western Tidewater Authority. She also stated that there should be a time limit.

Commissioner Bourey asked if the motion is in regards to actually funding the RRBA, or determining how it will be funded later.

Commissioner Marvin Collins stated that he wanted to clarify that the HRPDC is not paying for sewer; that's actually Hampton Roads Sanitation District. He also stated that he wanted to caution against the slippery slope in funding. If the Williamsburg Land Conservancy wants to protect the watermill watershed, then can they bring that to the Commission and ask for funding because of regional water conservation, a watershed that protects water for regional tourism? There is a difference between this region's enterprise funds and their interests, regional aspects, and what is being asked.

Vice Chair Michael Hipple suggested that the item go to the Personnel and Budget Committee, not only for the numbers, but also to address unanswered questions. Vice Chair Hipple also stated that he would like a little bit more time to understand everything that is going on.

Mr. Crum reminded the Commission that this is an Executive meeting, and stated that in order to clarify the voting process, there needs to be a quorum to vote on the item. Mr. Crum also stated that Ms. Arledge has the name of each jurisdiction's Executive Committee member, so what that means is that each jurisdiction would receive one vote as an Executive Committee member. If Chair Ward would like to vote on the item, Ms. Arledge is prepared to do a role call in order to ensure the accurate number of votes.

Vice Chair Hipple stated that there needs to be a clarification on what the Commission is voting on.

Chair Ward stated that the Commission is voting on the amended motion proposed by Commissioner Ritter, which stated that the Commission supports the efforts of the RRBA while taking under consideration that the item will be forwarded to the Personnel and Budget Committee, and be presented again in thirty days to the HRPDC with a recommendation on how to proceed.

Mr. Crum stated that we have a motion and a second to forward this item to the Personnel and Budget Committee for their recommendation. The Personnel and Budget will bring the item back to the Commission next month at the annual meeting with a recommendation on how to proceed. Mr. Crum also stated that the motion expresses general support for the RRBA and is asking for the assistance of the Personnel and Budget committee on how to proceed.

Chair Ward asked Commissioner Jones if he accepts the motion and Commissioner Jones answered yes.

Chair Ella P. Ward	Chesapeake	Yes
Commissioner Randy Martin	Franklin	Yes
Commissioner J. Brent Fedors	Gloucester	Yes
Commissioner Donnie Tuck	Hampton	Yes
Commissioner Rex Alphin	Isle of Wight	Yes
Vice Chair Michael Hipple	James City County	Yes
Commissioner McKinley Price	Newport News	Yes
Commissioner Mamie Johnson	Norfolk	Yes
Commissioner J. Randall Wheeler	Poquoson	Yes
Commissioner Kenneth Wright	Portsmouth	Yes
Commissioner Michael Johnson	Southampton County	Yes
Commissioner Patrick Roberts	Suffolk	Yes
Commissioner Tyrone Franklin	Surry County	Yes
Commissioner Louis Jones	Virginia Beach	Yes
Commissioner Marvin Collins	Williamsburg	Yes
Commissioner Thomas Shepperd	York County	Yes

Chair Ward stated that the Motion Carried, and the Personnel and Budget Committee will come back in 30 days with a recommendation.

Mr. Crum introduced President John Broderick of Old Dominion University (ODU) and Taylor Reveley of William and Mary University. Mr. Crum stated that both university presidents were there to brief the Commission on opportunities for collaboration, and give a preview on their priorities heading into the General Assembly.

**Briefing from Old Dominion University President John Broderick and William and Mary President Taylor Reveley**

President Broderick of Old Dominion University thanked Mr. Crum for the invitation to speak to the Commission about the strong and innovative partnerships that have been established amongst higher education institutions in Hampton Roads and throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. He noted the importance of regional collaboration between institutions of higher education and the region.

The goal of the University is to find places where there is a niche with expertise and skill such as online programming, supporting the military, and working with the federal labs in Hampton Roads.

He also introduced ODU's latest initiatives of cyber security and sea level rise. President Broderick briefed the Commission on the projects that allowed them to combine expertise with skill and forge new partnerships with President Reveley of William and Mary, and the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) in order to create the Commonwealth Center for Recurrent Flooding Resiliency. President Broderick also briefed the Commission on the second phase of the Recurrent Flooding Resilience Center:

- It was developed to customize large datasets for the Chesapeake Bay allowing the University to build a virtual laboratory where business clients can prototype and test their technologies.
- It allows the universities to build a green collar workforce designed to staff the needs of growing businesses by developing online instructions in the form of noncredit stackable certifications to businesses looking to relocate.
- The University has been working closely with Senator Timothy Kaine and Congressman Scott Rigell to attempt to establish a national center in Hampton Roads.
- It will bring a tremendous amount of economic opportunities to the region.

President Broderick also stated that both universities also partner on a cyber security consortium, which is an initiative that will fund researchers and technical staff to act as a bridge between faculty and regional cyber entrepreneurs in order to:

- Identify emerging technology
- Form critical private partnerships on the path of increasing commercialization.

President Broderick informed the Commission that ODU contributes more than \$2.1 billion annually to the state's economy.

He also briefed the Commission on the University's quest to improve and enhance salaries of faculty in order to continue to employ top researchers and key teachers, while placing emphasis on seeking funds in order to continue to enable the university to create better jobs in terms of student success. President Broderick concluded by stating that ODU is second in the Commonwealth in terms of producing STEM graduates. ODU'S faculty has been selected for more State council of higher education, outstanding teaching and research awards than any other school in the Commonwealth.

President Taylor Reveley stated that during the last session of the General Assembly, the State understood that higher education in Virginia is central to the robust economy, and in support of higher education, the State contributed generously towards the university's operating budget, research, and salaries. William and Mary's and ODU's focus is not just between schools, but collaboration between corporations and local government, as with the Go Virginia Campaign. President Reveley also addressed issues of sea level rise, and the effects on the region such as health issues, safety, and cyber security. President Reveley

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concluded by stating that what the HRPDC is doing really matters even if sometimes it is a slow and frustrating process. President Reveley encouraged the Commission to keep moving forward and cooperate for the greater good, and the region has to cooperate and collaborate if it is going to make progress.

Chair Ward stated that due to the time, there will not be any comments or questions.

Mr. Crum stated that there is a three-month tentative schedule in the agenda along with advisory committee summaries and correspondence for your information. He also noted that next month is the Annual meeting, and Chair Ward will appoint the Nominating Committee which will come before the Commission next month with a recommendation for Chair and Vice Chair. He informed the board that Ms. Arledge has the existing list, and she will be reaching out to the Nominating Committee for recommendations.

### **Old/New Business**

There was no old or new business.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business to come before the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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Ella P. Ward  
Chair

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Robert A. Crum, Jr.  
Executive Director

**FISCAL YEAR 2016  
6/30/16  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
100% OF FISCAL YEAR COMPLETE**

	<b>Annual Budget</b>	<b>Restated Previous YTD</b>	<b>Current Month</b>	<b>Received in FY2017</b>	<b>FY2016</b>	<b>% Received /Expended</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>						
STATE PDC REVENUE	\$ 151,943	\$ 151,943	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 151,943	100%
DEQ	66,594	55,312	-	-	55,312	83%
HOUSING DHCD	39,000	27,350	19,342	-	46,692	120%
WATER QUALITY ASSESSMENT	504,000	420,000	84,000	-	504,000	100%
VDEM	432,719	132,695	-	-	132,695	31%
UASI	267,796	226,298	162,542	-	388,840	145%
Local Jurisdiction Membership Dues	1,366,800	1,366,800	-	-	1,366,800	100%
Local Jurisdiction Programs	1,535,069	1,576,013	-	-	1,576,013	103%
HRMFFA	24,000	15,100	-	12,024	27,124	113%
SALES, INTEREST & MISC	93,162	75,243	20,471	2,947	98,662	106%
VDOT-PL SEC 112	2,207,705	1,293,213	-	519,063	1,812,276	82%
HRTAC	152,000	89,067	-	26,545	115,612	76%
VDRPT 5303	978,076	625,490	-	243,341	868,831	89%
SP&R	72,500	54,586	-	3,401	57,987	80%
RSTP	10,000	4,125	-	5,860	9,985	100%
SPECIAL CONTRACTS/ DEFERRED	<u>1,526,709</u>	<u>1,513,188</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,002</u>	<u>1,520,190</u>	100%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b><u>9,428,073</u></b>	<b><u>7,626,423</u></b>	<b><u>286,355</u></b>	<b><u>820,184</u></b>	<b><u>8,732,962</u></b>	93%
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
PERSONNEL	\$4,570,037	\$3,951,735	\$ 231,268	\$ -	\$4,183,003	92%
STANDARD CONTRACTS	234,555	177,989	19,605	-	197,594	84%
SPECIAL CONTRACTS/PASS THROUGH	3,910,207	1,774,352	734,663	-	2,509,015	64%
OFFICE SERVICES	<u>713,274</u>	<u>356,532</u>	<u>210,871</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>567,402</u>	80%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>9,428,073</u></b>	<b><u>6,260,607</u></b>	<b><u>1,196,408</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>7,457,015</u></b>	79%
<b>Agency Balance</b>	<b><u>\$ -</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,365,816</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (910,052)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 820,184</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,275,947</u></b>	

**FISCAL YEAR 2017**  
**8/31/16**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**  
**17% OF FISCAL YEAR COMPLETE**

<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>Annual Budget</b>	<b>Previous YTD</b>	<b>July 2016</b>	<b>August 2016</b>	<b>FY2017</b>	<b>% Received /Expended</b>
STATE PDC REVENUE	\$ 151,943	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
DEQ	93,406	-	-	-	-	0%
HOUSING DHCD	375,780	-	-	9,500	9,500	3%
WATER QUALITY ASSESSMENT	504,000	-	-	336,000	336,000	67%
VDEM	150,227	-	-	-	-	0%
UASI	19,000	-	-	-	-	0%
Local Jurisdiction Membership Dues	1,372,414	-	-	285,970	285,970	21%
Local Jurisdiction Programs	1,708,854	-	-	694,733	694,733	41%
HRMFFA	30,000	-	-	-	-	0%
SALES, INTEREST & MISC	53,700	-	3,404	3,909	7,313	14%
VDOT-PL SEC 112	2,260,812	-	-	-	-	0%
HRTAC	136,000	-	-	-	-	0%
VDRPT 5303	745,374	-	-	-	-	0%
SP&R	58,000	-	-	-	-	0%
RSTP	-	-	-	-	-	0%
SPECIAL CONTRACTS/ DEFERRED	1,359,420	-	-	-	-	0%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b><u>9,018,930</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>3,404</u></b>	<b><u>1,330,112</u></b>	<b><u>1,333,516</u></b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
PERSONNEL	\$4,610,666	\$ -	\$ 335,779	\$ 379,557	\$ 715,336	16%
STANDARD CONTRACTS	189,360	-	2,500	877	3,377	2%
SPECIAL CONTRACTS/PASS THROUGH	3,818,205	-	94,130	103,937	198,067	5%
OFFICE SERVICES	400,699	-	21,108	8,547	29,655	7%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>9,018,930</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>453,516</u></b>	<b><u>492,919</u></b>	<b><u>946,435</u></b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Agency Balance</b>	<b><u>\$ -</u></b>	<b><u>\$ -</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (450,112)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 837,194</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 387,081</u></b>	

**Transcribed Public Comments of the  
September 15, 2016 HRPDC Executive Committee Meeting**

**Donna Sayegh:** *Good morning. My name is Donna Sayegh and I live in Portsmouth. On today's agenda, there is the Hampton Roads water program established by the HRPD and participating jurisdictions in 1999. It was incorporated as a 501(C)(3) nonprofit corporation under Virginia law in 2007. The board of directors of the Hampton Roads water program consists of the director of utilities of the 17 localities and the general manager of the Hampton Roads Sanitation District. The purpose of a Hampton Roads water help to others program is to solicit community contributions which are used to provide financial aid to families or individuals in danger of losing residential water service due to family crisis. The PDCs were established by the General Assembly in 1969. There are 21 PDC's and regional commissions in Virginia made up of elected officials and citizens appointed, not volunteers, by local governments. The purpose of the PDC is to encourage and facilitate regional solutions to problems of area-wide significance. This is done by promoting the efficient development of the physical, social and economic policies of all districts by assisting local governments to plan for the future. In 1999, there was nothing that gave this commission authority to create the Hampton Roads H2O program to solicit community contributions to provide financial aid to families or individuals in danger of losing residential water service due to a family crisis. Next, the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission housing budget amendment. The Housing of Human Services Department of the HRPDC has been working with Portsmouth Planning Department to assist with providing down payment and closing cost assistance to qualified low and moderate income home buyers in Portsmouth. There was no public hearing on this activity to let the people know that the HRPDC received over \$19,364 from Portsmouth-Home fund grant initiative for the year 2016 with the remaining \$280,636 to be carried over for the year 2017. In addition to these funds, HRPDC has been awarded an additional \$161,520.50 for the year 2017 contract to continue these activities in Portsmouth. Tuesday night, the city council approved accepting \$15,246 of home investment partnerships program income and appropriating the money for the year 2017 Community Planning and Development program. How come this body is making all the decisions for the people without their consent? I am not here to speak about my displeasure. I am concerned that the federal government is taking away my self-governance without my consent. It is not my displeasure. It is war to say the republic individual liberty. Thanks for listening.*

**Mr. Mark Geduldig-Yatrofsky:** *Good morning, Madam Chair, Honorable Commissioners, fellow citizens. It's not my practice to take backyard brawls to the region, but with social media, is there such a thing as a backyard brawl. I'm not sure, but what came to light for a recent posting by a member of the Portsmouth delegation of the General Assembly is something that is to me a regional issue, and that is on the 31st of August, there was a meeting here that received, as far as I could see, no prior publicity. As somebody who subscribes to the e-mail list for the PDC and the TPO and HRTAC, I saw nothing in my inbox about the legislative workshop on August 31st. The only way I found out about it was that aforementioned social media backyard brawl. Now, I don't understand why that workshop should have had no advanced public notice. On discovering that it had taken place, I went back, reviewed my inbox, and found in the two prior communications, one for August,*

*one for July, there was no mention of that on the calendar coming events, and looking back across the websites for the three regional bodies that meet on this day of the month. Most months, there was nothing to be found. So I do not understand how a meeting that had 15 members of the General Assembly and representatives of a number of localities that are members of this body, why there was no public notice. Thank you very much.*

**Mr. Ellis James:** *Thank you, Dr. Ward. My name is Ellis W. James. I reside at 2021 Kenlake Place in the city of Norfolk. I'd like to call attention to Tom Leahy's Hampton Roads support for the Roanoke River Basin Association item. This is extremely important. Many of us have fought over a long period of time to try to block the lifting of the uranium mining moratorium and so on. This is an extremely important report, it's comprehensive, and it fits right in to the battles that are going on right now to guarantee that we have clean water here in Hampton Roads. Everybody in this room knows that we get much of our water from Lake Gaston, and so this issue is front and center. The second thing I'd like to bring up this morning is something that is more political, but it ties into a very significant piece of our problems in Hampton Roads from a standpoint of interaction between police departments and the citizens. We have a situation in which a political battle at the General Assembly level is now trying to interfere with the restoration of rights for those citizens who have served their time and are not a threat to the community any longer, and I think it's inappropriate, although the state has control over our voting, the communities have an obligation, I believe, to pay close attention to any efforts to suppress votes or prevent citizens who have made mistakes in the past and are not violent offenders are blocked from restoring their voting rights. This is critical because the safety of our men and women who serve our communities on the streets and protecting and keeping our neighborhoods safe, their well-being and their safety is paramount in this situation. We need to get people back into the flow of being good citizens and taxpayers, not a continuing battle that deprives them of the ability to be a functioning city, and I would like to call each community's attention to that and hope that you will pay close attention to that issue also. Madam Chair, thank you very much.*



**HAMPTON ROADS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION 2016-01**

**RESOLUTION OF THE HAMPTON ROADS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION  
DESIGNATING OCTOBER 2016 AS "COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH"**

**WHEREAS**, change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, boroughs, townships, rural areas, and other places; and

**WHEREAS**, community planning and plans help manage this change in a way that provides better choices for how people work, live and play; and

**WHEREAS**, community planning provides an opportunity for all residents to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of their community; and

**WHEREAS**, the full benefits of planning require public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of October is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories, and

**WHEREAS**, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of the members of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC), HRPDC's 17 member localities, Local Planning Commissions' and Planning Departments', various advisory committees and other engaged citizens who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the Hampton Roads Region; and

**WHEREAS**, we also recognize the many valuable contributions made by the urban planners and other professional and support staff of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these individuals and their families; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission designates the month of October 2016 as Community Planning Month in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission this 20 day of October, 2016.

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Dr. Ella Ward  
Chair

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Robert Crum  
Executive Director/Secretary