

**Virginia Council on Environmental Justice**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM**

**Location:** Collinswood-Agape Baptist Church  
1030 City Park Ave, Portsmouth, VA 23701

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**Agenda**

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| 9:00 AM  | Call to Order / Announcement of Training Session (5 mins)  |
| 9:05 AM  | FOIA Training and Explanation of Remote and Virtual Participation Policies by Assistant Attorney General Katherine Kulbok (90 mins)  |
| 10:35 AM | Break (10 mins)  |
| 10:45 AM | Start of Formal Council Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome by VCEJ Chair Karen Campblin</li><li>• Roll Call &amp; Introduction of newly appointed Councilmembers</li><li>• Overview of Meeting Agenda</li></ul> |
| 11:00 AM | Summary and status update of 2023 VCEJ Annual Report (40 mins)   |
| 11:40 AM | Summary of past minutes from October 2023 & January 2024 (10 mins)   |
| 11:50 AM | Revote on past minutes from October 2023 and January 2024 (to include new Councilmembers) (10 mins)  |
| 12:00 PM | Working Lunch (1 hour)   |

- Public Comment Period (30 mins) – **Please see Guidelines on the following page.**
- Discussion of Public Comment (30 mins)

1:00 PM      Community Issues Overview Panel/Roundtable (90 mins)

- Common Issue Summary by VCEJ Vice Chair Janet Phoenix & VCEJ Councilmember Aliya Farooq
- Oakland Chuckatuck – Ms. Lorna Taylor
- Pughsville (Suffolk/Chesapeake) – Ms. Carolyn White
- Portsmouth – Ms. Sheila Joseph, Fairview Neighborhood Civic League
- Hobson Village – Ms. Mary Hill

2:30 PM      Introduction of Public Officials (15 mins, 1-2 mins each)

- The Honorable Michael D. Duman, Mayor of Suffolk
- Ms. Shelly Butler-Barlow, City Council Member Representative for Chuckatuck Borough (Hobson Village)
- The Honorable Lue R. Ward, Jr., Vice Mayor of Suffolk and City Council Member Representative for Nansemond Borough (Pughsville)
- Chesapeake Councilman Don Carey
- Les Smith, Candidate for Chesapeake City Council
- George Reed & Cliff Randolph, Chesapeake New Men of Progress
- Portsmouth City Councilman William Moody
- Portsmouth Councilman Dr. Mark Whitaker
- Portsmouth Vice Mayor Lisa Lucas-Burke
- Virginia Assembly Delegate Nadarius Clark
- Quan McLaurin, HRPDC DEI and Title VI/Civil Rights Liaison

2:45 PM      Council Discussion/Recap (35 mins)

3:20 PM      Council Planning future VCEJ 2024 meeting locations – previously chosen as Fredericksburg on 8/5 and Richmond on 11/16 (5 mins)

3:25 PM      Closing Remarks by VCEJ Chair Karen Campblin (5 mins)

3:30 PM      Adjourn Meeting

## PUBLIC COMMENTS AT VIRGINIA COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MEETINGS

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AT VIRGINIA COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MEETINGS:** The Council encourages public participation in the performance of its duties and responsibilities. It schedules a public comment period at each regular meeting to provide residents with the opportunity to discuss matters relevant to the board which may or may not be listed on the meeting's agenda.

Those persons wishing to address the Council during this time should indicate their desire in advance of the meeting by emailing or mailing a draft of their comment to the staff person serving as the public comment period point of contact, when possible. Any person submitting comments/requesting to speak shall:

1. Identify themselves by name and address, including zip code
2. Limit their remarks to 3 minutes or less (as read aloud)
3. Address an environmental justice topic/community concern
4. Refrain from making any personal references or accusations of a factually false and/or malicious nature

Comments violating these rules are subject to be disregarded at the Council meeting, and the speaker may be removed from the podium and/or from the meeting.

**POOLING MINUTES:** Persons may pool their minutes to allow for a single presentation to the Council that does not exceed the time limitation of 3 minutes times the number of persons pooling minutes, or 15 minutes, whichever is less. A speaker must present the names of at least five individuals who are present in the audience and who wish to yield their three minutes.

The Council reserves the right to alter the time limitations set forth in this policy without notice and to ensure comments presented at the meeting conform to this policy.

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