

**State Water Infrastructure Authority
North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality**

April 16-17, 2024

**Surry County Service Center
915 E. Atkins Street, Dobson, NC 27017**

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April 16: <https://ncgov.webex.com/ncgov/j.php?MTID=md5d7da3f2600e75c77534045960d3360>

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The State Government Ethics Act (North Carolina General Statute Chapter 138A) mandates that the Chair inquire as to whether there is any known conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest with respect to any matters before the Authority today. If any member knows of a conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest, please identify the conflict at the time the conflict becomes apparent.

The times indicated for each Agenda Item are merely for guidance. The Authority will proceed through the Agenda until completed.

April 16, 2024

Shadi Eskaf, Chair, Presiding

- 2:00 A. Call to Order – Chair Eskaf**
 - 1. Welcome
 - 2. Reminder of Conflict of Interest and Compliance with State Government Ethics Act
 - 2:05 B. Approval of February 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes – Chair Eskaf (Action Item)**
 - 2:10 C. Attorney General’s Office Report – Meghan Melloy**
 - 2:15 D. Welcome from Surry County Manager – Chris Knopf, County Manager (10 minutes)**
 - 2:25 E. Chair’s Remarks – Chair Eskaf (10 minutes)**
 - 2:35 F. Presentation on Surry County Projects – Chris Knopf, Surry County Manager (30 minutes)**
 - 3:05 Break (15 minutes)**
 - 3:20 G. Presentation on Regionalization by the Yadkin Valley Sewer Authority – Nicole Johnston, Executive Director (30 minutes)**
 - 3:50 H. Division Orientation – Viable Utilities and Viable Utilities Project Unit – Victor D’Amato (20 minutes)**
 - 4:10 I. Status of the Viable Utility Program – Matthew Rushing (20 minutes)**
 - 4:30 J. Update on the Viable Utilities Initial Education Program – Tony Dongarra (15 minutes)**
 - 4:45 K. Adjourn for the Day**
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Shadi Eskaf, Chair, Presiding

- 9:00 L. Call to Order – Chair Eskaf
1. Welcome
 2. Reminder of Conflict of Interest and Compliance with State Government Ethics Act
- 9:05 M. Communications Update – Cathy Akroyd, Public Information Officer (10 minutes)
- 9:15 N. Funding Awards for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Service Line Replacement (Action Item) – David Giachini (Action Item) (20 minutes)
- 9:35 O. Capitalization Grant 101 – Chair Eskaf (15 minutes)
- 9:50 P. Final Priority Rating Systems and Affordability Criteria for Water and Sewer Projects, including BIL DWSRF Lead Service Line Replacement Program – Dustin Rhodes (Action Item) (20 minutes)
- 10:10 Q. Final Priority Rating System for Community Development Block Grant – Infrastructure – Colleen Simmons (Action Item) (10 minutes)
- 10:20 Break (15 minutes)
- 10:35 R. Final Priority Rating Systems for Viable Utility Reserve Planning Grants – Matthew Rushing (Action Item) (20 minutes)
- 10:55 S. Fiscal Year 2024 Intended Use Plan Updates – Dustin Rhodes (15 minutes)
- 11:10 T. Principal Forgiveness 101 – Jennifer Haynie (15 minutes)
- 11:25 U. Informal Comments from the Public (5 minutes)
- 11:30 V. Concluding Remarks by Authority Members, Chair and Counsel (10 minutes)
- 11:40 W. Adjourn

Reminder to All Authority Members: Members having a question about a conflict of interest or potential conflict should consult with the Chair or with legal counsel.

Reminder to Authority Members Appointed by the Governor: Executive Order 34 mandates that in transacting Commission business each person appointed by the Governor shall act always in the best interest of the public without regard for his or her financial interests. To this end, each appointee must recuse himself or herself from voting on any matter on which the appointee has a financial interest.
