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Lisa Van Riper, Director of Communications at Alexandria Renew Enterprises with Eileen Brackens, CRWC President.

## Republican Women Hear AlexRenew Plans for Cleaner Waterways and Discuss November Ballot

ALEXANDRIA, VA –

The Commonwealth Republican Women’s Club’s (CRWC) guest speaker at its October meeting was Lisa K. Van Riper, Director of Communications at Alexandria Renew Enterprises (AlexRenew). Van Riper explained the organization’s history, mission, governance, and operations. She also outlined the capital improvement plans for meeting the legislative requirement to remediate the century-old problem of sewer outfalls into the Potomac River by 2025.

Van Riper explained the difference between the city-owned stormwater systems and AlexRenew-owned wastewater systems.

She urged CRWC members not to put grease down the drain or flush those ‘flushable’ wipes. Members and guests in attendance expressed appreciation for the quality of Van Riper’s presentation and expressed a greater understanding of the important work of AlexRenew and its challenges in meeting the 2025 legislative deadline.

Linda App, CRWC Vice President, reminded members about the Republican candidates for Alexandria voters on November 5. Samuel “Dutch” Hillenburg, of Clifton, is the GOP nominee who will appear on the November ballot in Senate Dist. 39, for voters located in the West End of Alexandria. The four write-in candidates for other available General Assembly seats are all members or associate members of CRWC:

- Hazel Anne Miller for Virginia Senate, District 30.
- Pete Benavage for Virginia Senate, District 35.

- Eileen Marie Brackens for Virginia House of Delegates, District 45.
- Gerald Chandler for Virginia House of Delegates, District 46.

The write-in candidates do not have the official endorsement of the Republican Party, but have all been part of the local community and local Republican party for many years. All say they are running to give voters a choice. Voters wishing to vote for write-in candidates will want to bring these names with them to the polls.

CRWC is the Alexandria chapter of both the Virginia and the National Federation of Republican Women (VFRW and NFRW). More information is available at [www.alexandriacrwc.org](http://www.alexandriacrwc.org).

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