

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 28, 2022 | 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Department of Administration Conference Room 2B, Providence, RI 02908 with additional audio/visual participation available through Zoom.

Members in Attendance: Harry Oakley, Peter Gill Case

Others in Attendance: Steven Chybowski, Sue AnderBois, Marisa Desautel, Sarah Barraco, David Caldwell (joined at 2:50 p.m.), Sam Ross, Brett Feldman

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Oakley called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

2. Chair Announcements

Chairperson Oakley provided an overview of the meeting agenda and instructions for providing public comments at the meeting.

3. Administrative Updates (5 min, 2:05 - 2:10 p.m.)

Mr. Chybowski provided administrative updates from the Office of Energy Resources (OER) including updates on the OER commissioner position, the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative allocation proposals, OER's High-efficiency Heat Pump Program proposal, and major energy bill signings that occurred over the past month.

4. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – April 2022

Vice Chair Gill Case voted to approve the April 2022 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Chairperson Oakley abstained and the meeting minutes were approved.

5. Council Business (40 min 2:15 - 2:55)

a) Updates on Public Utilities Commission Dockets (10 min, 2:15 – 2:25 p.m.) Mr. Chybowski notified the Committee of PUC dockets 22-05-EE and 22-01-NG for the Committee's awareness and for the Council to consider motioning as interveners on docket 22-01-NG.

b) Updates on the Transfer of the Council Client Fund (5 min, 2:25 - 2:30 p.m.) Mr. Chybowski notified the Executive Committee that the Council's former client fund has been transferred to the utility and has now been closed out. *c)* Consultant Services Request for Proposals Discussion (10 min, 2:30 – 2:40 p.m.) Committee Members discussed their support for extending the current consultant services contract.

d) 2023 Council Budget Discussion (10 min, 2:40 - 2:50 p.m.)

Mr. Chybowski presented budget proposals for the EERMC for the 2023 calendar year and noted that OER will work to format the budget for submission to the utility as a part of the energy efficiency plan filing. Committee Members expressed a need for the Council to improve the Council's image and awareness so that the public understands that this Council exists and are here to help.

e) 2022 Council Budget Discussion (5 min, 2:50 – 2:55 p.m.)

Mr. Chybowski noted that there is approximately \$140,000 currently unallocated in the 2022 EERMC budget for the Council's consideration.

6. Public Comment

None.

7. Adjournment

Chair Oakley motioned to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chair Gill Case seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:57 p.m.