The Cape Light Compact JPE Board of Directors and Executive Committee met on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 in the Martha’s Vineyard Conference Room at the Cape Light Compact JPE Offices at 261 Whites Path, Yarmouth MA 02664 at 1:00PM.

Present Were:
1. Joyce Flynn, Chair, Yarmouth
2. David Anthony, Secretary, Barnstable
3. Robert Schofield, Executive Committee, Bourne
4. Peter Cocolis, Executive Committee, Chatham
5. Richard Toole, Executive Committee, Oak Bluffs
6. Thomas Donegan, Executive Committee, Provincetown
7. Valerie Bell, Harwich
8. Martin Culik, Orleans
9. Colin Odell, Brewster
10. Richard Elkin, Wellfleet
11. ChristiAne Mason, Wellfleet Alternate
12. Paul Pimentel, Edgartown
13. Brad Crowell, Dennis
14. Tim Carroll, Chilmark – by phone
15. Ronald Zweig, Vice-Chair, Falmouth – by phone
16. Sue Hruby, West Tisbury – by phone, joined the meeting at 1:41
17. Jay Grande, Tisbury – by phone, joined the meeting at 1:15
18. Fred Fenlon, Eastham, joined the meeting at 1:45
19. Robert Hannemann, Duke’s County, joined the meeting at 2:18

Absent Were:
20. Jarrod Cabral, Truro
21. Michael Hebert, Aquinnah
22. Vacant - Sandwich
23. Wayne Taylor, Mashpee

Members/Alternates
Physically present: 15
Members present by phone: 4

Legal Counsel
Jeffrey Bernstein, Esq., BCK Law, P.C.
Rebecca Zachas, Esq., BCK Law, P.C. – by phone

Staff Present
Greg Abbe, Senior C&I Senior Analyst
Austin Brandt, Senior Power Supply Planner
Maggie Downey, Administrator  
Lindsay Henderson, Analyst and Marketing  
Briana Kane, Planning and Evaluation Manager  
Margaret Song, C&I Program Manager  

CONSULTANT  
Kevin Galligan, Galligan Energy Consulting Inc.  

PUBLIC PRESENT  
Peter Doyle, Barnstable (Town Alternate, pending appointment letter)  

Joyce Flynn called the meeting to order at 1:06. Joyce Flynn recognized Jay Grande of Tisbury, Ronald Zweig of Falmouth, and Sue Hruby of West Tisbury, who would all be remotely participating because physical attendance at the meeting would be unreasonably difficult.  

Open Session Vote on entry into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A §§21(a)(3) to discuss matters below, to return to open session:  

1. Regulatory litigation strategy. DPU 17-05, 2017 Eversource Rate Case  
2. Update on Regulatory Litigation and discussion of strategy related to the Compact’s Aggregation Plan, DPU 14-69, and the Compact’s Request for an Advisory Ruling DPU 17-95  

Joyce Flynn at 1:08 moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A §21(a) 3 to discuss strategy with respect to pending regulatory litigation relative to DPU 17-05, the Eversource Rate Case and to provide an update on regulatory litigation and discussion of strategy related to the Compact’s Aggregation Plan, DPU 14-69, and the Compact’s request for an Advisory Ruling, DPU 17-95.  

The recordkeeper of today’s executive session, shall be Compact staff. The Executive Session meeting minutes shall be presented to the Compact’s Secretary for review and approval.  

I declare that an open session may have a detrimental effect on the Cape Light Compact’s litigating position. The Governing Board will return to Open Session at the conclusion of Executive Session. Seconded by Peter Cocolis.  

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Martin Culik Orleans Yes
Thomas Donegan Provincetown Yes
Jay Grande Tisbury Not present for this vote
Richard Elkin Wellfleet Yes
Sue Hruby West Tisbury Not present for this vote
Joyce Flynn Yarmouth Yes

Motion carried in the affirmative (14 – 0 – 0)

Jay Grande joined the meeting at 1:15
Break at 1:20
Reconvene at 1:27

Sue Hruby joined the meeting by phone at 1:41
Fred Fenlon joined the meeting at 1:45
Discussion on this topic ended and moved on to DPU 17-05.

Jeffrey Bernstein, Rebecca Zachas and Kevin Galligan presented a PowerPoint on DPU 17-05.

Valerie Bell asked if the MMRC applied retroactively or just on new systems. Kevin Galligan indicated this is for systems installed on or after December 31, 2018 and beyond. Maggie Downey indicated that MMRC is important to the towns as towns are counting on the revenue, but given this order, the future revenues will be changing/declining and the towns will need to account for this as part of their municipal budgeting process. Jeffrey Bernstein indicated that if any towns are considering new projects, they need to consider this impact. Thomas Donegan indicated that Leo Cakounes mentioned at the DPU information session on 17-05 that CVEC would consider proposing special legislation to overturn the DPU order. Austin Brandt indicated that CVEC is working on asking the towns to approve filing a request for override. Thomas Donegan indicated that the CLC JPE should join in on this. Maggie Downey mentioned that we might want to update Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA).

Robert Hannemann joined the meeting at 2:18

Fred Fenlon asked about the impact to the ratepayer. Kevin Galligan indicated that we will not have this analysis ready until February. Thomas Donegan asked that we meet with the media to let them know about this in advance of having a tangible number in February. Peter Cocolis agreed and also asked about the ROI approved at 10%. Kevin Galligan mentioned that we can tell the story without the numbers at tomorrow’s media session.

Joyce Flynn asked for a motion to end executive session, moved by Robert Schofield, seconded by Brad Crowell.

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Motion carried in the affirmative (14 – 0 – 4)
Respectfully submitted,

Briana C. Kane

LIST OF DOCUMENTS AND EXHIBITS:
- Meeting Notice / Agenda