

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - Approved 2/13/25

Thursday, January 23, 2025

5:30 pm

Attendees:

Executive Committee Members: Nick Anzalone (Chair), Christa Shute, Siobhan Perricone, Mary Metcalf, Tom Fisher, Brian Machesney, Jeremy Matt, Chuck Burt, Ray Lanier, Mike Strait, and Sally Vallat

Governing Board Members: Rudy Chase, Richard Schiller, Laura Emery, and John Russell

Additional Staff: Kitty Ufford-Chase, Chris Fortuna and Tonya Ozone

Member of the Public: David Healy

5:30pm. The meeting started with a quorum.

Agenda Review - approved with the postponement of the Communication Process agenda item. Approved with no objections.

Public Comment: None

Sally arrived at 5:37pm.

A-3 Presentation

Discussion Summary: Before going into executive session, Nick shared how proud he is that this pro-active strategic priority making is happening and that it is a sign of moving away from a "start-up" mentality and a maturing of the organization.

Motioned: Mary Metcalf Seconded: Chuck Burt	Passed with no objections Passed with objections Failed
Motion: to go into Executive Session under the provisions of 1 VSA §313 with consultants, staff, and Board Members in order to discuss our A-3 prioritization process, finding that premature disclosure of our strategy could substantially disadvantage the CUD if it were to be made public at this time.	Passed with no objections

Executive session was entered at 5:38pm and ended at 6:03pm. No action was taken.

Partnership Updates

Motioned: Jeremy Matt Seconded: Sally Vallat	Passed with no objections Passed with objections Failed
Motion: to go into Executive Session under the provisions of 1 VSA §313 with consultants, staff, and Board Members in order to discuss partnership updates, finding that premature disclosure could substantially disadvantage the CUD if it were to be made public at this time.	Passed with no objections

Executive session was entered at 6:04pm and ended at 6:31: pm. No action was taken. Tonya Ozone entered at 6:07pm.

Stats & Operations Update

Discussion Summary: Tonya started by saying how excited we are about our workforce development, and our staff member Owen Carr's first install that happened last week. We hope to have both Owen and Tom Haligan on their own doing installs in another month or so. The other thing that we are excited about - our warehouse crew had a 633% increase in receipts of materials received by our contractors in comparison to the previous year. We are also planning another round of our trainings, at the end of March/early April in Barre, and later in the spring in Newport. We ended 2024 just shy of 1200 customers, and with 681 fiber miles built. In the month of December we opened up areas in Groton, Walden and Lowell which made our take rate dip because these are newly opened areas.

Review of Upcoming Map Ambassador Map

Motioned: Chuck Burt Seconded: Jeremy Matt	Passed with no objections Passed with objections Failed
Motion: to go into Executive Session under the provisions of 1 VSA §313 with consultants, staff and Board Members in order to discuss the new map, finding that premature disclosure could substantially disadvantage the CUD if it were to be made public at this time.	Passed with no objections

Executive session was entered at 6:47pm and ended at 7:03pm. No action was taken

Quorum was lost during Executive Session and so the Meeting adjourned.

Drafted by Kitty Ufford-Chase