

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD

Minutes of Open Meeting Held August 3, 2015 7:00pm

Board Members Present: Chairperson Margaret E. Curran, Kevin Flynn

Board Staff Present: Todd Bianco, Coordinator; Patricia Lucarelli, Counsel

Chairperson Curran called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM in the Town of Lincoln Town Hall Chambers. A quorum of the Energy Facility Siting Board (Board) was present.

Counsel Lucarelli advised the Chairperson that the open meeting had been properly noticed, and the board could proceed deliberate on the application.

Chairperson asked Counsel if there was any reason why that would be inappropriate at that time.

Counsel Lucarelli did not have any such reason, and explained that the first item on the meeting agenda was approving the minutes of the June 2nd, 2015 open meeting.

Board Member Flynn moved to approve the minutes. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed by all Board Members present. **Vote 2-0.**

Docket No. SB-2015-03: Reconductoring of 4.2 Miles of J16 115kV Transmission Line

The Board considered Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Notice of Intent to modify or relocate a power line of more than 1000 feet application (the application) to reconductor approximately 4.2 miles of V148N 115kV transmission line between the Woonsocket Substation in North Smithfield and the Washington Substation in Lincoln, Rhode Island including the replacement and reinforcement of certain existing pole or tower structures.

Chairperson Curran posited that the issue before the Board was whether or not the project described in the application should be treated as an alteration.

Counsel Lucarelli affirmed the Chairperson's statement, and explained that if the Board finds that there is no significant impact to the environment or health, safety, and welfare, then the Board can find that the project does not constitute an alteration and grant the license.

Board Member Flynn moved that the project would not result in significant impact to the environment or health, safety, and welfare. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by all Board Members present. **Vote 2-0.**

Board Member Flynn moved to adjourn. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by all Board Members present. **Vote 2-0.**

The open meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.