

Old Colony Planning Council Legislative Committee Meeting

January 7, 2025, 4:00pm Via ZOOM Conferencing or In Person

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1. Meeting was called to order by co-chair, Rhonda Nyman, at 1:04pm

2. Roll Call: Rhonda Nyman, Noreen O'Toole, Val Massard **OCPC Staff:** Mary Waldron, Megan Fournier, David Klein

3. July 2024 Meeting Minutes: Unanimous Approval

4. Legislative Priorities:

- Mary asked Rep LaNatra who is the most senior legislator at this time to sponsor the Retirement Legislation bill and she has agreed to do so.
 - This is our current #1 priority
- The Regional Water Plan that OCPC is working with consultants CDM Smith on, requires meetings to be held with legislators so we will need to coordinate efforts with other priorities we have so that we do not inundate/overlap legislators.
- Looking to review Economic Development Bill when/if comes out for new opportunities.
 - This is important for Council Members to provide OCPC with potential projects they would like us to have on record if a legislator comes to us with funds that can support different opportunities. (create a "laundry list")
- David Klein spoke to the Home Care Line Items and the importance to advocate for the budget increase. A presentation was attached to the meeting packet explaining the importance of the statewide effort to be in favor of increasing these line items.
 - David will be meeting with his advisory committee to confirm the line items are accurate for this fiscal year.
 - Age-friendly communities/demographics are increasing so it will be in the best interest for our communities to support.

5. Legislative Breakfast Planning:

Mary has reached out to legislators to request suggested dates for a meeting and is waiting to hear back. We intend to plan something in February/early March.

6. Meeting adjourned.