

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of August 6, 2015

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, August 6, 2015, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:05 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein
Chairman
Michael Caron
(designee for Chairman House)
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

James J. Murphy, Jr.
Vice Chairman
Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Klee)
Philip T. Ashton

Council Members Absent

Michael W. Klemens

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman
Acting Executive Director/Staff Attorney
Fred Cunliffe
Supervising Siting Analyst
Christina Walsh
Supervising Siting Analyst

Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst
Cymon Holzschuh
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Carriann Mulcahy

Chairman Stein welcomed the Council's new staff member Cymon Holzschuh. Chairman Stein also thanked staff for their hard work on Dr. Bell's farewell gathering.

Minutes of July 23, 2015.

Mr. Caron moved to approve the minutes of July 23, 2015, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 421 - Phoenix Partnership LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 158 Edison Road, Trumbull, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan Revision.

Mr. Murphy moved to table this item, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 455 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Southington Tax Assessor Map/Lot 066053, 99 East Street, Southington, Connecticut. Development & Management Plan.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Development and Management plan with the conditions noted in the staff report and that Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless submit a site plan denoting isolation of the construction area and barriers to deflect movement of herpetofauna prior to construction, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 462 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Danbury Tax Assessor's Map L16, Lot 5, 15 Great Pasture Road, Danbury, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Custodian of the Docket, Deposition of the Transcript.

Mr. Ashton moved to deem the application as complete, approve the schedule for processing the docket as per staff recommendations, the appointment of Carriann Mulcahy as the custodian of the docket, the deposition of the transcript in the City of Danbury and the Town of Bethel, a public field review beginning at 2:00 p.m., an evidentiary hearing beginning at 3:00 p.m., and a public comment session beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the City of Danbury on Tuesday, September 15, 2015; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 922 – UIL Distributed Resources, LLC declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the installation of a Fuel Cell generating facility located at 1835 Hebron Avenue, Glastonbury, Connecticut. Landscaping Plan.

After discussing both the Town of Glastonbury's and UIL's landscaping plans, the Council requested that UIL submit another plan that incorporates only native vegetation and trees that grow to moderate heights.

Mr. Caron moved to table this item, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1166 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing commercial building located at 1095 Kennedy Road, Windsor, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1167 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a small cell telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing industrial storage building located at 85-91 South Leonard Street, Waterbury, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition with the condition that prior to equipment installation, Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless shall provide documentation certified by a Professional Engineer that the chimney is structurally adequate to support the proposed loading, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1169 – Blue Sky Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed installation of a temporary tower to be located at 220 Evergreen Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report and that Blue Sky Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC place the equipment shelter two feet above the 100-year flood elevation, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters.

PETITION NO. 1146 – Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Home Depot USA, Inc., petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the location and construction of a Customer-Side 200-Kilowatt Fuel Cell to be located at the Home Depot store at 1580 Litchfield Turnpike, New Hartford, Connecticut. Request to Modify.

Mr. Hannon voted to add this item to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the requested modifications to the facility, seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Thursday, August 20, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Tuesday, September 1, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m. (field review)/3:00 p.m./6:30 p.m. public hearing** for Docket No. 461 at the Greenwich Library, Cole Auditorium, 101 West Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut.
- Thursday, September 3, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, September 17, 2015, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

Adjournment.

Mr. Ashton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/cm