

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of June 23, 2016

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, June 23, 2016, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:04 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein
Chairman
Michael Caron/Larry Levesque
(designees for Chairman House)
Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Klee)

James J. Murphy, Jr.
Vice Chairman
Philip T. Ashton
Michael Harder
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

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

Recording Secretary:

Carriann Mulcahy

Minutes of May 26, 2016.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the minutes of May 26, 2016, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 464 - Blue Sky Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Bridgeport Tax Assessor Map 53, Block 1527, Lot 2, 220 Evergreen Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Development & Management Plan with the conditions as noted in the staff report, seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Harder abstaining.

DOCKET NO. 467 - Homeland Towers, LLC and Celco 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 Brookfield Tax Assessor Map E10, Lot 014, 100 Pocono Road, Brookfield, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Custodian of the Docket, Deposition of the Transcript, Motion for Protective Order.

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 Town of Brookfield, 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 Town of Brookfield on Tuesday, August 2, 2016; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Motion for Protective Order, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1176 - The United Illuminating Company declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed Bridgeport 115-kV transmission line upgrade project consisting of the northern and southern sections of 115-kV lines extending from Congress Substation in the City of Bridgeport to Baird Substation in the Town of Stratford, Connecticut, and related substation improvements. Development and Management Plan.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this Development & Management Plan with the conditions noted in the staff report and with the condition that UI install and maintain rigid siltation barriers to isolate work areas from adjacent wetland areas, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed with Mr. Harder abstaining.

PETITION NO. 1201 - Eversource Energy declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed reconductoring of approximately 1.75 miles of its existing No. 1810 115-kV transmission line from Forestville Junction in Southington to Lake Avenue Junction in Bristol, rebuilding and reconductoring of approximately 1.85 miles of its existing Nos. 1800 and 1810 115-kV transmission lines from Southington Substation in Southington to Structure No. 1815 in Southington, reinforcement of an existing transmission structure at Southington Substation in Southington, and related substation and transmission line structure improvements. Request for Modification.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this request for modification with the conditions as noted in the staff report, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1220 - Windham Solar LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of three 2.0 Megawatt and one 1.0 Megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facilities located at 1219 and 1240 Voluntown Road, Griswold, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this petition with the conditions as noted in the staff report, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1229 - Bloom Energy Corporation, as an agent for Ikea, petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, operation and maintenance of a Customer-Side 250-Kilowatt Fuel Cell Facility to be located at the Ikea store, 450 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Caron excused himself and Mr. Levesque took his seat.

Mr. Levesque moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1230 - Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to its existing Stony Hill Substation including the installation of a new access road to the substation on Eversource's property located at 49 Stony Hill Road, Brookfield, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Levesque excused himself and Mr. Caron took his seat.

Mr. Hannon moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1231 - Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed removal and replacement of existing double-circuit lattice Structure 6-101 with two proposed single-circuit monopole structures to separate the existing 115-kilovolt (kV) 1572 and 1620 electric transmission lines located at NRG Energy, Inc.'s existing Middletown Power, LLC electric generating facility located at 1866 River Road, Middletown, Connecticut and related transmission line structure improvements. Decision.

Mr. Harder moved to approve this petition, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1232 - 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 modification of an existing telecommunications facility located at 167 Cocomo Circle (a/k/a Lester Street), New Britain, Connecticut. Decision.

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

Administrative Matters.

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Thursday, July 7, 2016, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, July 21, 2016, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

Adjournment.

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

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/cm