

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of July 7, 2016

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, July 7, 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 1:02 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein
Chairman
Larry Levesque
(designee for Chairman House)
Philip T. Ashton

James J. Murphy, Jr.
Vice Chairman
Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Klee)
Michael Harder

Council Members Absent

Michael W. Klemens

Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

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 June 23, 2016.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the minutes of June 23, 2016, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. F-2016/2017 - Connecticut Siting Council Review of the Ten-Year Forecast of Connecticut Electric Loads and Resources. Public Comment Session Schedule.

Mr. Ashton moved to 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 Council's office in New Britain, and a public comment session beginning at 6:30 p.m. per the requirements of C.G.S. § 16-50r (a) on Wednesday, August 10, 2016; in Hearing Room Two at the Council's office in New Britain, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 443B - AT&T request to amend its declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the modification of an existing Connecticut Light and Power high-voltage electric transmission line support structure (no. 1292) located at Sound Shore Drive (Cos Cob) in Greenwich, Connecticut and for the installation of a temporary telecommunications facility at 1 River Road in Greenwich, Connecticut. Decision.

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

PETITION NO. 1215 - Shagbark Lumber and Farm Supplies, Inc. declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.6 Megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Electric Generating facility located at 21 Mount Parnassus Road, a/k/a Route 434, East Haddam, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.

Mr. Hannon moved to approve the development and management plan with the conditions as noted in the staff report, seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed with Mr. Harder abstaining.

PETITION NO. 1218 – PSEG Power Connecticut LLC petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a new 485 megawatt (MW) dual fuel combined-cycle electric generating facility at the existing Bridgeport Harbor Station located at 1 Atlantic Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.

Chairman Stein stated for the record that he read the transcripts.

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Chairman Stein conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Mr. Murphy, Mr. Levesque, Mr. Hannon, Mr. Harder, and Chairman Stein in favor of approving the petition, and Mr. Ashton abstaining.

Chairman Stein directed staff to draft a favorable Opinion and Decision and Order to be reviewed at the next meeting.

PETITION NO. 1228 – The United Illuminating Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed modifications to its existing Pootatuck Substation located at 14 Old Stratford Road in Shelton, Connecticut and related modifications to adjacent 115-kV transmission lines within existing Eversource Energy right-of-way. Decision.

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

TS-EYE-077-160606 - EyeTower request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 266R Center Street, Manchester, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower share request, seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-EYE-164-160606 - EyeTower request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 50 Pine Lane, Windsor, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower share request, seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters.

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Thursday, July 21, 2016, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Tuesday, August 2, 2016, **public hearing** beginning with a **2:00 p.m. public field review, a 3:00 p.m. evidentiary session, and a 7:00 p.m. public comment session** for Docket No. 467 at the Brookfield Town Hall, Room 133, 100 Pocono Road, Brookfield, Connecticut.
- Thursday, August 4, 2016, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, August 18, 2016, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** Energy/Telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

Adjournment.

Mr. Harder moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/cm