



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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Meeting Minutes

Meeting of May 9, 2019

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, May 9, 2019, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Presiding Officer Robert Silvestri at 1:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Silvestri
Presiding Officer
Edward Edelson
Michael Harder
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Dykes)
Larry Levesque
(designee for Chairman Gillett)

Council Members Absent:

Michael W. Klemens

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director/Staff Attorney
Fred Cunliffe
Supervising Siting Analyst
Ifeyanichukwu Nwankwo
Siting Analyst

Christina Walsh
Supervising Siting Analyst
Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

1. Minutes of April 25, 2019.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the minutes of April 25, 2019; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

- 2. DOCKET NO. 458 - Florida Tower Partners LLC d/b/a North Atlantic Towers Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation, of a telecommunications facility at 62-64 Codfish Hill Road, Bethel, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the Transfer of Certificate; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Edelson abstaining.

- 3. DOCKET NO. 463A - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 2 Arbor Crossing, East Lyme, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the Transfer of Certificate; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Edelson abstaining.

- 4. PETITION NO. 1354 - Chatfield Solar Fund, LLC, petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.98-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on approximately 25 acres located generally south of Route 80 (North Branford Road) and east of Chestnut Hill Road in Killingworth, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection to Eversource Energy's Green Hill Substation located at 775 Green Hill Road, Madison, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.**

Mr. Edelson moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order denying with prejudice the proposed solar photovoltaic electric generating facility; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

- 5. PETITION NO. 1365 - Bloom Energy Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a customer-side 1.2-megawatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at Connecticut College, 5 Reservoir Street, New London, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report and the Council recommendation that bollards, or other type of safety guard, be installed along the east side of the fuel cell equipment pad; seconded by Mr. Levesque. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **PETITION NO. 1366 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed installation of a telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing commercial building located at 276 New Britain Avenue, Plainville, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Hannon moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Harder. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **TS-DISH-032-190405 - Gamma Purchasing LLC (DISH) request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 712 Bread and Milk Street (a/k/a Route 31), Coventry, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this tower share request with the condition that approval of any minor changes be delegated to Council staff; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

8. **Administrative Matters.**

The following calendar dates were discussed:

- Petition No. 1312 (court-ordered remand) Tuesday, May 14, 2019, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, May 23, 2019, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Docket No. 485 Thursday, May 30, 2019, **public hearing** beginning with a **2:00 p.m. public field review, a 3:00 p.m. evidentiary hearing session, and a 6:30 p.m. public comment session** at the Theresa Mulvey Municipal Center, Multi-purpose Room, 866 Boston Post Road, Westbrook, Connecticut.

Adjournment.

Mr. Edelson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Presiding Officer Silvestri adjourned the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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