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Meeting Minutes

Meeting of July 15, 2021

A tele-conference meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, July 15, 2021. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Presiding Officer John Morissette at 1:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

John Morissette
Presiding Officer
Louanne Cooley
Edward Edelson
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Dykes)
Quat Nguyen
(designee for Chairman Gillett)
Robert Silvestri

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
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

1. Minutes of June 17, 2021.

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the Minutes of June 17, 2021; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch abstaining.

2. **DOCKET NO. 242 - AT&T Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a wireless telecommunications facility located at 122 Route 6 (Andover Sportsmen Club), Andover, Connecticut. Motion to Reopen and Modify the Decision and Order.**

Mr. Edelson moved to reopen the matter without a hearing to eliminate Condition No. 2 of the Decision and Order that required all panel antennas to be installed on the monopole using a flush mount design with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **DOCKET NO. 488 – Homeland Towers, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 93 Richards Road, Kent, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Edelson moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the conditions noted in the staff report, as amended, with the additional condition to submit an Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan prior to commencement of construction; seconded by Ms. Cooley. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **DOCKET NO. 497 – Burlington Solar One, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 3.5-megawatt-AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at Lot 33, Prospect Street Burlington, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion and Decision and Order.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **DOCKET NO. 503 - Arx Wireless Infrastructure, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 43 Osgood Avenue, New Britain, Connecticut. Request for Party/Intervenor Status. Motion for Protective Order.**

Mr. Hannon moved to grant Party Status to the City of New Britain; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Edelson moved to grant the motion for protective order; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **DOCKET NO. 504 - Arx Wireless Infrastructure, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at Lot N-4, Sequin Drive, Glastonbury, Connecticut.**

Completeness Review, Schedule, Deposition of the Transcript. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the schedule per staff recommendations; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Edelson moved to grant New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) Intervenor status; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **PETITION NO. 1406A - Doosan Fuel Cell America, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a grid-side 9.66-megawatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at 600 Iranistan Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection to the United Illuminating Company's existing Congress Street Substation. NuPower Bridgeport FC, LLC Reopening of this petition based on changed conditions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-181a(b). Request for CEPA Intervenor Status. Request for Public Hearing.**

Mr. Edelson moved to grant Allco Renewable Energy Limited CEPA Intervenor status; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed with Mr. Nguyen abstaining.

Mr. Silvestri moved to deny Intervenor Joseph Provey's Request for a Public Hearing; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Nguyen abstaining and Mr. Morissette voting no.

8. **PETITION NO. 1451 - C-Tec Solar, 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 3.8-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and a 2.2-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 277 Sadds Mill Road, Ellington, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Decision.**

Mr. Edelson moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch abstaining.

9. Administrative Matters.

The following energy/telecommunications meeting and public hearing dates were discussed:

- Docket No. 503, Tuesday, July 20, 2021, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. and **public comment session** beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing
- Docket No. 500, Tuesday, July 27, 2021, **continued evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing
- Energy/Telecommunications telemeeting, Thursday, July 29, 2021, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**
- Energy/Telecommunications telemeeting, Thursday, August 12, 2021, beginning at **1:00 p.m.**

Adjournment.

Mr. Lynch moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

Presiding Officer Morissette adjourned the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Melanie Bachman

**Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director**

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