



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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Draft Meeting Minutes
Meeting of November 10, 2022

A Zoom remote conference meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, November 10, 2022. 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
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.
Robert Silvestri

Brian Golembiewski
(designee for Commissioner Dykes)
Steven Cadwallader
(designee for Chairman Gillett)

Council Members Absent:

Mark Quinlan
Louanne Cooley

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director/Staff Attorney
Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst
Ifeanyichukwu Nwankwo
Siting Analyst

Christina Walsh
Supervising Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

1. Minutes of October 27, 2022.

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the Minutes of October 27, 2022; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed Mr. Cadwallader abstaining.

2. **DOCKET NO. 509 - Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 1837 Ponus Ridge Road, New Canaan, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.**

Mr. Lynch and Mr. Morissette stated that they read the record of this proceeding.

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Mr. Morissette conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Mr. Golembiewski, Mr. Cadwallader, Mr. Lynch, and Mr. Morissette in favor of approving the facility in the Revised Configuration as a monopine with the additional conditions to utilize net-less or woven natural biodegradable fiber erosion control blankets to avoid/minimize wildlife entanglement per Applicants' August 31, 2022 late-filed exhibit on Plan Sheet N-1 Environmental Notes under No. 2(a) and wood shadow-box fence; and Mr. Silvestri voting no.

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

3. **PETITION NO. 1540 - ReNew Developers, 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 customer-side 4.0-megawatt fuel cell facility and associated equipment to be located at 234 Riverside Avenue, Bristol, Connecticut. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to set the date by which to render a decision in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 4-176(e) and Section 16-50j-40(c) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, as no later than March 20, 2023; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **PETITION NO. 1541 – North Haven Solar One, 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 1.625-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 122 Mill Road, North Haven, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Golembiewski moved to set the date by which to render a decision in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 4-176(e) and Section 16-50j-40(c) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, as no later than March 29, 2023; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **PETITION NO. 1542 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T)) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed installation of a small wireless facility on a new Eversource-owned utility pole that is less than 50 feet in height and is not used principally for electric distribution service, and associated equipment within the public right of way adjacent to 40 Amelia Place, Stamford, Connecticut. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Set Date for Decision.**

Mr. Lynch moved to set the date by which to render a decision in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 4-176(e) and Section 16-50j-40(c) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, as no later than January 3, 2023; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

Tower Share Request Consent Calendar - Item Nos. 6 – 8

Presiding Officer Morissette introduced the Tower Share Request Consent Calendar as Item Nos. 6 through 8. The Consent Calendar was adopted.

6. **TS-DISH-138-220908 - Dish Wireless, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 623-627 Honeyspot Road, Stratford, Connecticut. Decision.**
7. **TS-DISH-067-221003 – Dish Wireless, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 66 Wall Street, Hebron, Connecticut. Decision.**
8. **TS-DISH-117-221007 - Dish Wireless, LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 28 Great Oak Lane, Redding, Connecticut. Decision.**
9. **Fiscal Year 2024 and Fiscal Year 2025 Biennium Budget.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to adopt the Fiscal Year 2024 and Fiscal Year 2025 budgets for submission to the General Assembly Appropriations Committee in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50v(b)(1)-(2); seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Administrative Matters

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

- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, December 8, 2022, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, December 22, 2022, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.

Adjournment.

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

Presiding Officer Morissette adjourned the meeting at 1:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melanie A. Bachman", written in a cursive style.

Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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