

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting of February 20, 2014**

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, February 20, 2014, in Hearing Room One, 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  
James J. Murphy  
Vice Chairman  
Robert Hannon  
(designee for Commissioner Klee)

Daniel P. Lynch  
Eileen M. Daily  
Barbara C. Bell  
Michael Caron  
(designee for Chairman House)

**Council Members Absent:**

Michael W. Klemens

Philip T. Ashton

**Staff Members Present:**

Melanie Bachman  
Acting Executive Director/Staff Attorney  
Fred Cunliffe  
Siting Analyst Supervisor  
Christina Walsh  
Siting Analyst Supervisor

Robert Mercier  
Siting Analyst  
Michael Perrone  
Siting Analyst  
David Martin  
Siting Analyst

**Recording Secretary:**

Carriann Mulcahy

**Minutes of February 6, 2014.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Minutes of February 6, 2014; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Caron arrived at 1:06 p.m.

**DOCKET NO. 441 – Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 10 Blackville Road, Washington, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.**

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Chairman Stein conducted a non-binding straw poll with Mr. Murphy, Dr. Bell, Mr. Lynch, Ms. Daily, Mr. Hannon, Mr. Caron and Chairman Stein in favor of the proposed facility.

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

**DOCKET NO. 444 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at the FirstLight Hydro Generating Company property, Kent Road, New Milford, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Custodian of the Docket, Deposition of the Transcript, Request for Party/Intervenor Status. Request for Administrative Notice.**

Mr. Lynch moved to deem the application as complete, approve the schedule for processing the docket as per staff recommendations, the appointment of Carriann Mulcahy as custodian of the docket, the deposition of the transcript in the Towns of New Milford and Sherman, a public field review and hearing in New Milford on Tuesday, April 1, 2014; seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Murphy moved to grant the request from AT&T for administrative notice of the November 13, 2013, letter from the State Historic Preservation Officer, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

**PETITION NO. 754 - Best Management Practices for Electric and Magnetic Fields. Report Update.**

Ms. Daily stepped away.

Dr. Bell moved to adopt the revisions to the Council's Best Management Practices, incorporating the Connecticut Light and Power Company language, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Daily returned.

**PETITION NO. 1093 – Bloom Energy Corporation petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the location and construction of a Customer-Side 400 kW Fuel Cell to be located at Comcast, 222 New Park Drive, Berlin, Connecticut. Decision.**

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

**TS-VER-083-140127 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 90 Industrial Park Road, Middletown, Connecticut.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this tower sharing request with the following conditions:

- Prior to antenna installation, the recommendations specified in Section 4.1 of the Structural Report prepared by Paul J. Ford and Company dated September 17, 2013, and stamped by Joseph Jacobs, P.E., shall be implemented; and
- Within 45 days following completion of the antenna installation, Cellco shall provide documentation certified by a professional engineer that its installation complied with the requirements of the structural analysis.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

**TS-AT&T-055-140128 – AT&T request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 442 North Street, Goshen, Connecticut.**

Mr. Lynch moved to approve this tower sharing request, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

**Administrative Matters.**

The following calendar events were discussed.

- Thursday, March 6, 2014, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
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**Adjournment.**

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

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robert Stein**  
**Chairman**

RS/cm