

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of April 3, 2014

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, April 3, 2014, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein
Chairman
James J. Murphy
Vice Chairman
Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Klee)

Daniel P. Lynch
Michael W. Klemens
Barbara C. Bell
Philip T. Ashton
Larry Levesque
(designee for Chairman House)

Council Members Absent:

Eileen M. Daily

Staff Members Present:

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

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

Staff Members Absent:

Christina Walsh
Siting Analyst Supervisor

Recording Secretary:

Carriann Mulcahy

Minutes of March 20, 2014.

Dr. Bell moved to approve the minutes of March 20, 2014; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 423 – North Atlantic 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 off Route 198, Woodstock, Connecticut. Request for Extension and Development & Management Plan Revision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the revisions to the Development & Management Plan, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Murphy moved to grant an extension of time to complete construction of the facility until December 21, 2014, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 447 – 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 Stamford Tax Assessor Map 1, Parcel 1379, 560 West Hill Road, Stamford, Connecticut Completeness Review, Schedule, Custodian of the Docket, Deposition of the Transcript, Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Ashton 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 City of Stamford, a public field review and hearing in Stamford on Tuesday, May 20, 2014; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Chairman Stein abstaining.

Mr. Ashton moved to grant intervenor status and CEPA status to West Hill Environmental Trust, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Chairman Stein abstaining.

PETITION NO. 973 – North Atlantic Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required to replace and expand an existing structure located at 880 Andrew Mountain Road, Naugatuck, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan Revision.

Mr. Ashton moved to remove this item from the table, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the revisions to the Development & Management Plan, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Murphy moved to grant a six week extension until May 8, 2014, for AT&T's portion of the facility to be operational, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1094 – The United Illuminating Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed upgrades to the Elmwest Substation located at 335 Elm Street, West Haven, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this petition with the condition that the petitioner file a Development & Management Plan depicting improved site fencing and physical improvements for substation security, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-AT&T-143-131227 - AT&T request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 136 Wright Road, Torrington, Connecticut. Request to Revise.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this request to revise a tower share approval, seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters.

The following calendar events were discussed.

- ❖ Tuesday, April 15, 2014, beginning at **1:00 p.m. evidentiary hearing** for Docket No. 442, Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- ❖ Thursday, April 17, 2014, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- ❖ Thursday, April 24, 2014, beginning at **2:00 p.m. (field review)/3:00 p.m./7:00 p.m. public hearing** for Docket No. 445 (Homeland Towers & New Cingular Wireless) at the Ridgefield Town Hall, Large Conference Room, 40 Main Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut.
- ❖ Tuesday, April 29, 2014, beginning at **2:00 p.m. (field review)/3:00 p.m./7:00 p.m. public hearing** for Docket No. 446 (Cellco Partnership) at the Trumbull Town Hall, Council Chambers, 5866 Main Street, Trumbull, Connecticut.
- ❖ Thursday, May 1, 2014, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

The Council also discussed April 22, 2014, the date that the Wind Regulations are on the agenda for consideration by the Regulation Review Committee. The meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. in room 1-E at the Legislative Office Building.

Adjournment.

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

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/cm