

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting of June 7, 2018**

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, June 7, 2018, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:08 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Robert Stein  
Chairman  
James J. Murphy, Jr.  
Vice Chairman  
Edward Edelson  
Michael Harder  
Michael W. Klemens

Robert Hannon  
(designee for Commissioner Klee)  
Larry Levesque  
(designee for Chairman Dykes)  
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.  
Robert Silvestri

**Staff Members Present:**

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

Robert Mercier  
Siting Analyst  
Michael Perrone  
Siting Analyst

**Recording Secretary:**

Lisa Fontaine

**1. Minutes of May 10, 2018**

Mr. Edelson moved to approve the minutes of May 10, 2018; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed with Mr. Harder abstaining.

2. **DOCKET NO. 476 - Eco-Site, Inc. and T-Mobile Northeast, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 248 Hall Hill Road, Somers, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Dr. Klemens moved to approve the Development and Management Plan; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed with Mr. Silvestri abstaining.

3. **DOCKET NO. 482 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility on town-owned property behind Lyman Memorial High School located at 917 Exeter Road, Lebanon, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact.**

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Chairman Stein conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council Members with Mr. Murphy, Mr. Silvestri, Mr. Edelson, Mr. Levesque, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Hannon, and Chairman Stein in favor of the proposed project; Mr. Harder voting no; and Dr. Klemens abstaining.

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

4. **DOCKET NO. 483 - The United Illuminating Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Pequonnock Substation Rebuild Project that entails construction, maintenance, and operation of a 115/13.8-kilovolt (kV) gas insulated replacement substation facility located 700 feet southwest of UI's existing Pequonnock substation on an approximately 3.7 acre parcel owned by PSEG Power Connecticut, LLC at 1 Kiefer Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut, and related transmission structure and interconnection improvements. Request for Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Murphy moved to grant intervenor status to PSEG Power Connecticut LLC; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **PETITION NO. 1341 - The Durham Manufacturing Company petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.215-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at the Durham Manufacturing Company, 201 Main Street, Durham, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the petition with the condition noted in the staff report and with the additional recommendations that Durham Manufacturing Company consult with the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection regarding the location of a potential groundwater monitoring well that may be installed on their property prior to construction of the facility, install erosion and

sedimentation controls to account for Type C soils, and to properly construct, and control discharge from, the dewatering basin; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **PETITION NO. 1342 - GRE GACRUX 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 4.98-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 232 Rimmon Road and 700 Middletown Avenue, North Haven, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Hannon moved to approve the petition with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed with Dr. Klemens and Mr. Lynch voting no.

7. **PETITION NO. 1343 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the proposed PSEG Bridgeport Harbor Unit 5 Line Reconductoring Project consisting of conductor replacements on its existing No. 1670 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line extending approximately 5.2 miles within existing Eversource electric transmission line right-of-way between the Southington Substation located at Belleview Avenue in Southington, Connecticut and Reservoir Junction located at Reservoir Road in New Britain, Connecticut, and related substation and electric transmission line structure improvements. Decision.**

Mr. Levesque moved to approve the petition with the condition noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed with Mr. Silvestri recusing.

8. **TS-T-MOBILE-042-180309 - T-Mobile Northeast LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 151 Young Street, East Hampton, Connecticut. Decision.**

Dr. Klemens moved to deny this tower share request; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed unanimously.

9. **TS-SIGFOX-094-180424 - Sigfox NIP LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 36 Prospect Street, Newington, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this tower share request; seconded by Mr. Edelson. The motion passed unanimously.

10. **TS-T-MOBILE-078-180501 - T-Mobile Northeast LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 33 Mitchell Drive, Manchester, Connecticut. Decision.**

Dr. Klemens moved to approve this tower share request; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

**11. TS-SIGFOX-054-180515 - Sigfox NIP LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 374 Three Mile Road, Glastonbury, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve this tower share request; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

**12. Administrative Matters.**

The following calendar events were discussed:

- Docket No. 483 Thursday, June 14, 2018, **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 Council Chambers, Bridgeport City Hall, 45 Lyon Terrace, Bridgeport, Connecticut.
- Energy/Telecommunications meeting, Thursday, June 21, 2018, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

**Adjournment.**

Dr. Klemens moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously. Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Robin Stein**  
**Chairman**

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