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Meeting Minutes

Meeting of February 10, 2022

A Zoom remote conference meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, February 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
Louanne Cooley
Mark Quinlan
Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

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

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman
Executive Director/Staff Attorney
Fred Cunliffe
Supervising Siting Analyst
Ifeanyichukwu Nwankwo
Siting Analyst

Christina Walsh
Supervising Siting Analyst
Robert Mercier
Siting Analyst
Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

Introduction

Presiding Officer Morissette welcomed Mr. Collette to the Council, as designee for Commissioner Dykes.

1. Minutes of January 27, 2022.

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve the Minutes of January 27, 2022; seconded by Mrs. Cooley. The motion passed with Mr. Collette abstaining.

2. **DOCKET NO. 492 – Gravel Pit Solar Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a 120-megawatt-AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on eight parcels generally located to the east and west of the Amtrak and Connecticut Rail Line, south of Apothecaries Hall Road and north of the South Windsor town boundary in East Windsor, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection. Partial Development and Management Plan - Phase II.**

Mr. Nguyen moved to approve the Partial Development and Management Plan (Partial D&M Plan II) with the conditions noted in the staff report and a condition that “damaging rainfall event” per pages 13 and 14 of the Stormwater Pollution Control Plan and “critical milestones” per page 17 of Partial D&M Plan II be defined; seconded by Mr. Silvestri. The motion passed with Mr. Quinlan recusing.

3. **DOCKET NO. 497 - Burlington Solar One, LLC 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. Transfer of Certificate.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to grant the Transfer of Certificate to DG Connecticut Solar III, LLC; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **DOCKET NO. 507 – Homeland Towers, LLC and 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 wireless telecommunications facility located at 222 Clintonville Road, North Branford, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Deposition of the Transcript. Motion for Protective Order.**

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

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

5. **PETITION NO. 1471 - 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 extension and modification of an existing telecommunications facility located at 343 Daleville Road, Willington, Connecticut. Decision.**

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

6. **PETITION NO. 1474 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC (T-Mobile) petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for proposed modifications to an existing telecommunications facility located at 52 New Britain Avenue, Rocky Hill, Connecticut. Decision.**

Mr. Silvestri moved to approve this petition with the condition noted in the staff report, and the additional condition that bollards be installed to protect the generator and associated fuel tank; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Tower Share Request Consent Calendar - Item Nos. 7 - 14

Presiding Officer Morissette introduced the Tower Share Request Consent Calendar as Item Nos. 7 - 14. The Consent Calendar was adopted with Mrs. Cooley recusing from Item No. 12.

7. **TS-DISH-018-211207 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 39 Carmen Hill Road, Brookfield, Connecticut. Decision.**
8. **TS-DISH-064-211220 -- Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 289-H Mountain Street, Hartford, Connecticut. Decision.**
9. **TS-DISH-106-220106 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 430 Middlesex Turnpike, Old Saybrook, Connecticut. Decision.**
10. **TS-DISH-160-220114 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 47 Turnpike Road, Willington, Connecticut. Decision.**
11. **TS-DISH-052-220118 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 82 Lovely Street, Farmington, Connecticut. Decision.**
12. **TS-DISH-078-220118 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 205 Spring Hill Road (a/k/a 230 Clover Mill Road), Mansfield, Connecticut. Decision.**
13. **TS-DISH-155-220126 - Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 3114 Albany Avenue, West Hartford, Connecticut. Decision.**
14. **TS-DISH-119-220128 – Dish Wireless LLC request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 1218 Cromwell Avenue, Rocky Hill, Connecticut. Decision**

15. Administrative Matters

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

- Petition No. 1443A, Tuesday, February 15, 2022, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. and **public comment session** beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.
- FP-ATT-083-211214, Thursday, February 17, 2022, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. and **public comment session** beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Energy/Telecommunications, Thursday, February 24, 2022, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.

Adjournment.

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

Presiding Officer Morissette adjourned the meeting at 1:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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