



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting of January 8, 2026

A Zoom remote conference meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, January 8, 2026. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Vice Chair Morissette, at 1:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

John Morissette

Vice Chair

Chance Carter

Khristine Hall

Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

Bill Syme (Mr. Syme was absent for Item No. 1)

Eric Hammerling

(temporary designee for Commissioner Dykes)

Quat Nguyen

(designee for Chairman Elect Wiehl)

Dr. Scott C. Williams

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman

Executive Director/Staff Attorney

Robert Mercier

Siting Analyst 2

Ifeanyichukwu Nwankwo

Siting Analyst 1

Christina Walsh

Supervising Siting Analyst

Michael Perrone

Siting Analyst 2

Adam Morrone

Siting Analyst 1

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2025.

Ms. Hall moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2025; seconded by Mr. Carter. The motion passed unanimously.

2. DOCKET NO. 187A – Milford Power Company LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of the proposed Milford Power Project located off of Oronoque Road in Milford, Connecticut. Compliance with Decision and Order Condition No. 1(b) - Request for Temporary Variance on Total Annual Average Use of Potable Water.

Ms. Hall moved to grant Milford Power Company LLC a Temporary Variance to exceed the 15% limit of its total annual potable water usage for 2025 to avoid any unnecessary delay or curtailment of

facility operations in accordance with Condition No. 1(b) of its Certificate; seconded by Mr. Carter.

The motion passed with Mr. Lynch voting no.

3. **DOCKET NO. 502 - Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 118 Newton Road, Woodbridge, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Syme moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the condition that construction activities may occur between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.; seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **DOCKET NO. 530 – Homeland Towers, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment located at 196 East Haddam-Colchester Turnpike, East Haddam, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Ms. Hall moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Mr. Syme. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **DOCKET NO. 533 – Tarpon Towers III, LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility and associated equipment located at 161 Conrad Street, Naugatuck, Connecticut. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Carter moved to approve the Development and Management Plan; seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **DOCKET NO. 545 – Arx Wireless Infrastructure, 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 and associated equipment located at 306 Flanders Road, East Lyme, Connecticut. Request for Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Nguyen moved to grant Intervenor status to Wireless Solutions, LLC/Ancient Highway Towers, LLC; seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **DOCKET NO. 546 – Crown Castle Towers 06-2 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 and associated equipment located at 70 Universal Drive, North Haven, Connecticut. Request for Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Lynch moved to grant Intervenor status to Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless; seconded by Mr. Carter. The motion passed unanimously.

8. **DOCKET NO. 547 – Celco 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 and associated equipment located at 0 and 59 Broad Brook Road, East Windsor, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Deposition of the Transcript.**

Ms. Hall moved to approve the schedule per staff recommendations; seconded by Mr. Carter. The motion passed with Mr. Syme and Mr. Lynch recusing.

9. **PETITION NO. 1655 – Borrelli Solar LLC Declaratory Ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.99-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at 179 and 197 Borrelli Road, East Haven, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Carter moved to approve the Development and Management Plan with the conditions noted in the staff report; seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

10. **PETITION NO. 1681 – Jefferson Solar LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 2.0-megawatt solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at 121 West Pond Road (Parcel No. 27A-14) and 2185 Maple Road (Parcel No. 33-31-1), North Branford, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Decision.**

Mr. Carter moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report, amending condition no. 6 of the staff report to read: “Submit a copy of the final landscaping/screening plan for the proposed facility *consistent with Exhibit A of the Petition and the response to Council Interrogatory No. 43* prior to the commencement of construction; seconded by Mr. Syme. The motion passed unanimously.

11. **PETITION NO. 1682 - VCP Groton LF, LLC d/b/a Verogy petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.975-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at the former Groton Landfill, 685 Flanders Road, Groton, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Decision.**

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

12. **PETITION NO. 1683 – Greenskies Clean Energy LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 2.75-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located on one parcel (Parcel No. 079-015) northwest of the intersection of Quassapaug Road and Artillery Road, Woodbury, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Decision.**

Mr. Carter moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report amending condition no. 7 of the staff report to read: “Submit a copy of the final visual mitigation plan for the proposed facility *consistent with page 18 and Appendix I of the Petition* prior to the commencement of construction”; seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

13. **PETITION NO. 1684 – Greenskies Clean Energy LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.625-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located on two parcels (Parcel Nos. 21-19-29 and 21-19-2) off Gager Hill Road, Scotland, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Decision.**

Mr. Carter moved to approve this petition with the conditions noted in the staff report amending condition no. 7 of the staff report to read: “Submit a copy of the final visual mitigation plan for the facility *consistent with Appendix J of the Petition and the responses to Council Interrogatory Nos. 58, 59 and 63* prior to the commencement of construction”; and the additional condition that construction activities may occur between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.; seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion passed with Mr. Syme voting no.

14. **PETITION NO. 1688 - Greenskies Clean Energy LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 1.2-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at 81 and 93 Lake Street, Manchester, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. Request for Reconsideration of Denial of Intervenor Status.**

Mr. Nugyen moved to grant the Request for Reconsideration; seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion failed with Mr. Nguyen and Mr. Morissette voting to grant the request; Mr. Lynch recusing; and Mr. Hammerling, Ms. Hall, Mr. Carter, Mr. Syme, and Dr. Williams voting to deny the request on the basis that the December 16, 2025 request for intervenor status was submitted after the deadline and there is ample opportunity to provide comments on the proposed facility.

15. **PETITION NO. 1694 – Greenskies Clean Energy LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 4.0-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment accessed from Old Maids Lane in Glastonbury and located on a parcel south of the Glastonbury town boundary (Parcel No. 119/0014) in Portland, Connecticut and associated electrical interconnection. Schedule.**

Ms. Hall moved to approve the schedule per staff recommendations; seconded by Mr. Syme. The motion passed with Mr. Lynch recusing.

16. **PETITION NO. 1696 – Terryville Solar One, LLC notice of election to waive exclusion from Connecticut Siting Council jurisdiction, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §16-50k(e), and petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 0.975-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated equipment located at 270 Preston Road, Plymouth, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. CGS §4-176 Deadline for Action – Request for Hearing.**

Mr. Carter moved to take this item off the table; seconded by Ms. Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Nguyen moved to approve the Town of Plymouth's Request for a Public Hearing; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Tower Share Request Consent Calendar - Item Nos. 17 – 19

17. **TS-VER-082-251204 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications tower located at 238 Meriden Road, Middlefield, Connecticut. Decision.**
18. **TS-VER-041-251208 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications tower located at 39 Nichols Road, East Haddam, Connecticut. Decision.**
19. **TS-VER-164-251211 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications tower located at 1170 Matianuck Avenue, Windsor, Connecticut. Decision.**

Vice Chair Morissette introduced the Tower Share Request Consent Calendar as Item Nos. 17-19. The Consent Calendar was adopted with Mr. Lynch abstaining from Item Nos. 17 and 19.

20. Administrative Matters

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

- Docket No. 543, Tuesday, January 13, 2026, **continued evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Docket No. 544, Thursday, January 15, 2026, **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 Meeting, Thursday, January 22, 2026, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Docket No. 492A, Tuesday, January 27, 2026, **continued evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Docket No. 545, Thursday, January 29, 2026, **evidentiary hearing session** beginning at 2:00 p.m. and **public comment session** beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing.

Adjournment.

Mr. Lynch moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Carter. The motion passed unanimously. Vice Chair Morissette adjourned the meeting at 2:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Melanie A. Bachman
Executive Director

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