



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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### Meeting Minutes

#### Regular Meeting of June 11, 2026

A Zoom remote conference meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, June 11, 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

Bill Syme

Dr. Scott C. Williams

Brian Golembiewski

(designee for Commissioner Dykes)

Quat Nguyen

(designee for Chairman Wiehl)

Daniel P. Lynch, Jr.

#### Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman

Executive Director/Staff Attorney

Robert Mercier

Siting Analyst 2

Ifeanyichukwu Nwankwo

Siting Analyst 1

Eslam Elgazar

Siting Analyst Trainee

Christina Walsh

Supervising Siting Analyst

Michael Perrone

Siting Analyst 2

Adam Morrone

Siting Analyst 1

#### Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

#### 1. Regular Meeting Minutes of May 28, 2026.

Ms. Hall moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 28, 2026; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 2. **DOCKET NO. 307A – SBA Infrastructure LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 71 Pleasant View Road, Derby, Connecticut. Connecticut Siting Council Motion to Reopen this Certificate to eliminate Condition No. 3 of the December 19, 2024 Modified Decision and Order based on changed conditions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-181a(b). Decision.**

Ms. Hall moved to modify and reissue the Certificate to eliminate Condition No. 3 of the December 19, 2024 Modified Decision and Order that requires “An American flag shall be flown on the structure consistent with The Flag Code, Title 4, United States Code, Chapter 1. The

Certificate Holder shall install and maintain a sign, in legible condition, at a location common to all tower tenants, such as the utility meter or other conspicuous location, that instructs tower tenants and/or tower technicians to ‘REPLACE FLAG UPON COMPLETION OF EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION,’ for the life of the facility’; seconded by Mr. Syme. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **DOCKET NO. 490 – The United Illuminating Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Old Town Substation Rebuild Project that entails construction, maintenance and operation of a 115/13.8- kilovolt (kV) air-insulated replacement substation facility located on the existing Old Town Substation parcel at 282 Kaechele Place and two parcels immediately north totaling approximately 3 acres that are owned by the United Illuminating Company at 312 and 330 Kaechele Place, Bridgeport, Connecticut, and related transmission structure and interconnection improvements. Certificate Condition No. 2 - Eversource Energy Partial Development and Management Plan.**

Mr. Carter moved to approve the Eversource Energy Partial Development and Management Plan; seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **DOCKET NO. 543 – The Towers, 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 17 Warren Road, Washington (New Preston), Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order.**

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, draft Opinion, and draft Decision and Order to issue a Certificate, Vice Chair Morissette took a final vote of each Council member with Ms. Hall, Mr. Carter, Dr. Williams, Mr. Golembiewski, Mr. Syme, Mr. Lynch, and Vice Chair Morissette voting to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order; and Mr. Nguyen voting no. The application was approved.

5. **PETITION NO. 1194A – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request to amend its Declaratory Ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for modifications to an existing small wireless telecommunications facility on an abandoned grain elevator structure and associated equipment within the structure located at 140 Route 32, Franklin, Connecticut. Decision.**

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

6. **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. Draft Findings of Fact.**

Mr. Lynch is recused from this item.

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Vice Chair Morissette conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Ms. Hall, Mr. Carter, Dr. William, Mr. Golembiewski, Mr. Nguyen, Mr. Syme, and Vice Chair Morissette voting to approve the facility with Development and Management Plan conditions to coordinate with the Town of Glastonbury and Nayaug Elementary School on a reasonable schedule for the pile driving construction activity preferably during school recesses to the extent feasible; submit an Aquifer Protection Plan that includes, but is not limited to, the recommendations from the Department of Public Health, and submit an Eastern Box Turtle and Fresh Water Mussel Protection Plan; and with the Decision and Order conditions to submit a post-construction operational noise study that documents compliance with state standards and if necessary, the identification of any noise mitigation measures that are employed to adhere to the standards; submit a copy of the final Emergency Response Plan (ERP) that includes, but is not limited to, contact information for police, fire and emergency medical technicians and notification procedures for on-site emergencies such as fire, accidents, or electrical issues to the Council and emergency responders in the Towns of Portland and Glastonbury and provide emergency response training that includes an itemized list of necessary fire suppression equipment and adequate water supplies for any fire issues at the facility site; and submit a signed certification by the Town of Portland and Glastonbury Fire Chiefs that training has been completed and the ERP is approved prior to commencement of operation; and Mr. Lynch recusing.

Vice Chair Morissette directed staff to draft a favorable Opinion and Decision and Order approving the facility a to be reviewed at the next meeting.

7. **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. Draft Findings of Fact.**

After reviewing the Draft Findings of Fact, Vice Chair Morissette conducted a non-binding straw poll of the Council members with Dr. Williams, Mr. Golembiewski, Mr. Nguyen, Mr.

Syme, and Vice Chair Morissette voting to approve the facility with the Development and Management Plan conditions to submit a landscaping plan and an annual vegetation maintenance plan to inspect and replace plantings, including, but not limited to, the transplanted trees, to be implemented for the life of the facility; and explore the feasibility of pad-mounted equipment on the customer side of the electric distribution interconnection or other interconnection design(s) that reduce(s) visibility to the extent feasible; and with the Decision and Order conditions to submit a copy of the final Emergency Response Plan (ERP) that includes, but is not limited to, contact information for police, fire and emergency medical technicians and notification procedures for on-site emergencies such as fire, accidents, or electrical issues to the Council and emergency responders in the Town of Plymouth and provide emergency response training that includes an itemized list of necessary fire suppression equipment and adequate water supplies for any fire issues at the facility site; submit a signed certification by the Town of Plymouth Fire Chief that training has been completed and the ERP is approved prior to commencement of operation; submit a post-construction operational noise study that documents compliance with state standards and if necessary, the identification of any noise mitigation measures that are employed to adhere to the standards; and submit a post-construction stormwater analysis report that demonstrates mitigation of pre-construction stormwater flows to adjacent properties after one year of facility operation; and Ms. Hall, Mr. Carter, and Mr. Lynch voting no.

Vice Chair Morissette directed staff to draft a favorable Opinion and Decision and Order approving the facility to be reviewed at the next meeting.

8. **PETITION NO. 1703 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for modifications to an existing telecommunications facility and installation of associated telecommunications equipment located at 401 Chapel Hill Road in Montville, Connecticut. Decision.**

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

#### 9. **Administrative Matters**

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

- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, June 25, 2026, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** via Zoom remote conferencing.
- Energy/Telecommunications Meeting, Thursday, July 9, 2026, beginning at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom remote conferencing – **CANCELLED**
- Docket No. 551, Thursday, July 16, 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. Carter moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Golembiewski. The motion passed unanimously. Vice Chair Morissette adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melanie A. Bachman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

**Melanie A. Bachman**  
**Executive Director**

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