

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
CONNECTICUT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC ENERGY COOPERATIVE**

February 21, 2019

A special meeting of the Joint Legislative Committee of the Board of Directors of Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative (“CMEEC”) and Connecticut Transmission Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative (“CTMEEC”) was held on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 10 a.m. at CMEEC, 30 Stott Avenue, Norwich, CT and via telephone.

The meeting was legally noticed in compliance with Connecticut State law and all proceedings and actions hereafter recorded occurred during the publicly open portions of the meeting.

The following Committee Members participated:

Bozrah Light and Power – Ralph Winslow
Jewett City Department of Public Utilities - Louis Demicco (via telephone)
Groton – Mark Oefinger
South Norwalk SNEW – David Westmoreland (via telephone)
East Norwalk TTD – Debora Goldstein

The following CMEEC staff participated:

Michael Lane, CMEEC Interim CEO
Robin Kipnis, CMEEC General Counsel
Scott Whittier, CMEEC Director Enabling Services
Ellen Kachmar, CMEEC Office & Facility Manager

Other Participants:

Timothy Shea, Brown Rudnick (via telephone)
Brian Forshaw, Energy Market Advisors, CMEEC Consultant
William Kowalski, Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate (via telephone)
Mike Boucher

Ms. Kachmar recorded.

Chair Goldstein called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. noting it was a Special Meeting and no new business could be added to the Agenda. The participants were asked to speak their names so everyone would know who was at the meeting in person and on the telephone. She confirmed with everyone on the phone that they could hear the proceedings. Mr. Boucher stated that he was recording the meeting.

(A) PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Goldstein asked for public comment. Mr. Boucher remarked that he would like to see the Ratepayer Representatives on the Board of Directors eliminated and that those funds be used to extend the service of the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate. Mr. Boucher also asked if Mr. Shea had reimbursed CMEEC for the Kentucky Derby trip. Chair Goldstein clarified that the public comment period is not a question and answer session. Mr. Kowalski, the MECA, commented that Section 3A of the Hill Visit Talking Points implied that CMEEC initiated the creation of the Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate when it in fact was created by Public Act 17-73. Both topics were addressed later in the meeting.

(B) APPROVE MINUTES JANUARY 4, 2019 LEGISLATIVE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next item on the Agenda was approval of the Minutes from the January 4, 2019 Special Meeting of the Joint CMEEC and Transco Legislative Committee. Committee Member Oefinger moved to approve the minutes Chair Goldstein seconded the Motion to approve the Minutes as presented.

Vote passed unanimously.

(C) UPDATE ON LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. Shea, CMEEC's lobbyist, began his government relations update by noting the State legislative session began on January 9, 2019 and the Governor gave his budget address the previous day. (2/8/2019). Mr. Shea said the deadline for voting bills out of the Energy and Technology Committee (E&T) was March 21, 2019, and he reported that CMEEC will likely be scheduled for a Public Hearing at the E&T Committee on March 5, 2019. Mr. Shea reviewed the bills on the tracking sheet he had provided the Committee. Mr. Shea stated that it was likely that all CMEEC specific bills will be rolled into one bill, which would be the subject of the public hearing scheduled for March 5, 2019, but that the specific language had not been drafted yet,

Ms, Kipnis questioned whether any of the carbon emission bills had been drafted to which Mr, Shea responded they were still in the proposal stage. Chair Goldstein asked if the language of 17-73 could be subject to amendments. Mr. Shea remarked there could be opportunities in the E&T's one new bill to incorporate changes from PA 17-73. Mr. Lane reported a reimbursement mechanism had been set up from Brown Rudnick

Mr. Shea responded to questions about what will occur at the March 5th hearing. Mr. Shea replied it will not be a subject matter hearing, just a regular public hearing on the comprehensive bill discussed above and each person testifying will have three minutes to speak.

(D) APPA Legislative Rally

Brian Forshaw, a consultant from Energy Market Advisors who advises CMEEC on ISO-NE and FERC matters, briefed the Committee on the legislative visits in Washington, DC from Feb 25 - Feb 27 for the American Public Power Association's annual legislative rally. Mr. Forshaw provided to the Committee the draft talking points to be covered in the visits and walked the Committee through the talking points. He responded to multiple questions and comments.

There being no further business on the agenda, a motion was made by Committee Member Oefinger, seconded by Committee Member Winslow to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.