Public Hearings: Natural Gas, Electric and Water Proposed Rate Revisions and Proposed Solar Rate. Chairman Sullivan declared the Public Hearings open at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Sullivan then asked Mr. Mike Morganti to provide information regarding the Purpose & Use of Cost of Service Studies.

Following Mr. Morganti’s presentation, Chairman Sullivan then asked three times if any members of the public would like to speak to the Board regarding the Revision of Natural Gas, Electric and Water and Proposed Solar Rate. Hearing no comment, Chairman Sullivan then declared the public hearing closed at 6:23 p.m.

The Regular April Meeting of the Norwich Board of Public Utilities’ Commissioners was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 in the 2nd Floor Board Room of Norwich Public Utilities (NPU) located at 16 South Golden Street, Norwich.

Item 1. The Meeting was called to order at 6:24 p.m. by Chairman Sullivan.

Present: Chairman James Sullivan, Secretary Larry Goldman, Commissioner Robert Groner and Commissioner Grace Jones. Vice Chairman Diana Boisclair was present by phone. Also in attendance were: General Manager John Bilda; NPU Staff Members Chris LaRose, Steve Sinko, Jeff Brining, Mark Decker, Laura Huren, Randy Black, Dave Poore, Chris Riley, Brenton Terry, Brenda Button, Mary Lou Rychling, Eric McDermott and Michele Addabbo.

Item 2. Fifteen-Minute Public Comment Period. No members of the public were present.

Item 3. Minutes of the Special March Meeting held on Tuesday, March 31, 2015. Secretary Goldman, seconded by Commissioner Groner moved to approve the Minutes of the Special March Meeting held on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, as written. Unanimously approved.

Vice Chairman Boisclair left the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Item 4. Action Items. Natural Gas, Electric and Water Proposed Rate Revisions and Proposed Solar Rate. Secretary Goldman, seconded by Commissioner Groner moved to approve the Revisions to the Natural Gas, Electric and Water Rates, and Proposed Solar Rate, as presented. The votes were as follows:

Aye
Chairman James Sullivan
Secretary Larry Goldman
Commissioner Robert Groner
Commissioner Grace Jones

Nay

Item 5. NPU Leadership Team Update. Informative.

Item 7. **Strategic Presentations.**
- **Cost of Service Study.** Mike Morganti of Management Applications Consulting provided information to the Board regarding the Purpose & Use of Cost of Service Studies during the above mentioned Public Hearings (Item 4.) Discussion followed. Informative.
- **Disinfection Byproduct Presentation.** Mark Decker spoke to the Board regarding Disinfection Byproducts. Discussion followed. Informative.
- **Final EPA Chlorine Update.** Chris LaRose discussed Final EPA Chlorine Update with the Board. Discussion followed. Informative.

Item 8. **General Business.** None.

Secretary Goldman, seconded by Commissioner Groner moved to recess the Board Meeting at 6:55 p.m. Unanimously approved.

The meeting resumed at 7:10 p.m.

Item 9. **Executive Session.** Secretary Goldman, seconded by Commissioner Groner moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:06 p.m. to Discuss Confidential Trade Secret & Commercially Valuable Confidential or Proprietary Information Not Subject to Inspection or Public Disclosure Pursuant to Section 1-210[5] and 7-232a of the CT General Statutes. This information is commercially valuable, confidential and proprietary and is not subject to public disclosure, pursuant to Public Act No. 98-212, as it relates to labor matters. Unanimously approved. General Manager Bilda and Chris LaRose were asked by the Board to stay for the purpose of providing proprietary information.

The Board arose from Executive Session at 7:24 p.m.

There were no votes taken during Executive Session.

Item 10. **Other Business.**
   a) General Manager Bilda provided a summary of the changes to the bargaining unit agreement for the IBEW Local 457 union representing NPU employees. Commissioner Groner, seconded by Commissioner Jones moved to approve the changes to the bargaining unit agreement as presented. Unanimously approved.

   b) General Manager Bilda provided a summary of the changes to the bargaining unit agreement for the United Steelworkers union representing NPU employees. Commissioner Groner, seconded by Secretary Goldman, moved to approve the changes to the bargaining unit agreement as presented. Unanimously approved.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2015.

Commissioner Groner, seconded by Commissioner Jones moved to adjourn the Meeting at 7:28 p.m.

**Attest:**

Larry Goldman, Secretary