



NORWICH BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES' COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

September 29, 2015

The Regular September Meeting of the Norwich Board of Public Utilities' Commissioners was held on Tuesday, September 29, 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 6:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Diana Boisclair.

Present: Vice Chairman Diana Boisclair, Secretary Larry Goldman and Commissioner Robert Groner. Absent: Chairman James Sullivan and Commissioner Grace Jones. Also in attendance were: General Manager John Bilda; NPU Staff Members Chris LaRose, Steve Sinko, Jeff Brining, Laura Huren, Eric McDermott and Bob Pouch.

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

Item 3. Minutes of the Regular July Meeting held on Tuesday, July 28, 2015. Secretary Goldman, seconded by Commissioner Groner moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular July Meeting held on Tuesday, July 28, 2015, as written. Unanimously approved.

Item 4. Informational. NEPPA Rodeo. NPU General Line Foreman Bob Pouch spoke to the Board regarding the recent NEPPA Rodeo where NPU placed two teams in the event and came in first overall. He introduced the members of the teams: Will Maxeiner, Mike Sumner, Jeff Burgess, Scott Smith, Grahm Andruskiewicz and Tom Holmes. Vice Chairman Boisclair congratulated the group and thanked them for their efforts.

Mayors Update. Vice Chairman Boisclair welcomed Mayor Deberey Hinchey to the meeting. Mayor Hinchey addressed the Board regarding General Manager Bilda's role as Acting City Manager and the process for selecting a permanent City Manager. Mayor Hinchey also asked to continue to attend the NPU Board meetings to further cement the relationship between the City and NPU. Vice Chairman Boisclair stated that the Mayor was always welcome and that the Board looked forward to her attendance. Discussion followed. Informative.

Item 5. Action Items. 2016 Board Meeting Schedule. Secretary Goldman, seconded by Commissioner Groner moved to approve the 2016 Board Meeting Schedule. Unanimously approved.

Item 6. NPU Leadership Team Update. Informative.

Item 7. Financial Report. FY2015 Review. Laura Huren, Steve Sinko, Chris LaRose and Jeff Brining discussed the FY2015 year-end financials with the Board. Discussion followed. Informative.

Item 8. Strategic Presentations. Regional Competitiveness. Steve Sinko spoke to the Board regarding regional competitiveness. Discussion followed. Informative.

Purchase Power Projections. Drew Rankin, CEO of CMEEC discussed the member energy portfolio with the Board. Discussion followed. Informative.

NERC/CIP. Eric McDermott discussed the North American Electric Reliability Corporation/ Critical Infrastructure Protection with the Board. Discussion followed. Informative.

Item 9. General Business. None.

Secretary Goldman, seconded by Commissioner Groner moved to recess the Board Meeting at 7:24 p.m. Unanimously approved.

The meeting resumed at 7:28 p.m.

Item 10. Executive Session. Secretary Groner, seconded by Commissioner Groner, moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:29 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 new business negotiations. Unanimously approved. General Manager Bilda, Chris LaRose, Steve Sinko and Jeff Brining were asked by the Board to stay for the purpose of providing proprietary information.

The Board arose from Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.

There were no votes taken during Executive Session.

Item 11. Other Business. None.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2015.

Commissioner Groner, seconded by Secretary Goldman moved to adjourn the Meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Attest:

Larry Goldman, Secretary