## MINUTES OF THE

# JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF**

## CONNECTICUT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC ENERGY COOPERATIVE

#### November 30, 2018

The Joint Legislative Committee of the Board of Directors of Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative ("CMEEC") and Connecticut Transmission Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative ("CTMEEC") met at CMEEC's office on Friday, November 30, 2018

## The following Committee Members (for 2018 & 2019) participated:

Bozrah – Ralph Winslow Jewett City - Louis Demicco (via telephone), Richard Throwe (via telephone) Groton – Keith Hedrick, Mark Oefinger South Norwalk – David Westmoreland (via telephone) East Norwalk TTD – Kevin Barber (via telephone), 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 Gabriel Stern, CMEEC Director Technical Services

#### **Other Participants:**

Timothy Shea, Brown Rudnick William Kowalski, Municipal Electric Consumer Advocate (via telephone) Michael Boucher, Public Rate Payer

Ms. Kachmar recorded.

Committee Chairman Louis Demicco called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. and announced that Tim Shea of Brown Rudnick, government relations counsel for CMEEC, was at the meeting to provide a Connecticut Government Relations Update to the Legislative Committee. The Committee members and CMEEC staff in the room announced their names for those participating by telephone.

Mr. Shea reviewed the current CT legislative landscape that resulted from recent elections. He named the Executives elected, Constitutional Officers, CT State Senate, CT State House of Representatives, and the Legislative Delegation for CMEEC's member regions. He informed the Committee that the session convenes on January 9, 2019, individual Legislators have until the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week in January to raise Proposed Bills, Committees have until mid-February to raise Committee Bills and submit Raised Bills, and that the regular session concludes on June 5, 2019. Mr. Shea then identified the major issues for 2019 which include the State Budget, Economic Growth, Health Care, Education, and the "Big Five", which are (1) minimum wage increase, (2) paid family & medical leave, (3) highway tolls / trucks, (4) sports betting, and (5) recreational marijuana.

Mr. Hedrick communicated that at the request of Senator Cathy Osten he was preparing a slide presentation to address the Southeastern Delegation. The Committee discussed various scenarios for the presentation content and agreed to develop a proactive agenda that Mr. Shea could use when discussing matters with Legislators. Mr. Hedrick agreed to forward the presentation to the Committee and ultimately the Board of Directors for input. The Committee agreed to reconvene at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 5, 2018.

# There being no further business, a motion was made by Committee Chairman Demicco, seconded by Committee Member Throwe, to adjourn the meeting.

# Vote Passed.

There being no further business to come before this Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.