

Chester Municipal Electric Light Department

15 Middlefield Road, Chester, MA 01011

Commissioner's Meeting

April 10, 2017

Present: Commissioners: Terry Murphy and Deryck Savoy
Guests: Matt Vachula and Jeremy Trembley
Manager: Jill Moretz

Meeting was called to order 5:05 pm

- Jeremy Trembley and Matt Vachula (CMELD linesmen) came in to present an idea that Jeremy thought would be beneficial to CMELD. They have noticed that many homes in Chester could use updating of their electric service lines on the outside of the homes. Jeremy is a Licensed Electrician besides being a journeyman so this work could be done under his license. CMELD could offer services at a much lower rate than an average electrician would charge. We would offer the residents a low interest loan payable through their electric bills. CMELD would still be able to make a profit even after offering reduced rates on services. Jeremy would have to work more hours if this was to come to fruition. The commissioner's will consider, they want a little time to think about it. We will bring it up again at the next meeting.
- The minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Motion was made by Deryck to accept the minutes as written. Terry seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
- There was more discussion on Jeremy increasing his hours. We do not want to cut Donnie's hours. He's part-time now. Jill suggested 4 days for Jeremy. The commissioners still need to think on this.
- Jill will be meeting with the lighting vendor, Jason Forgue; the contact person for Youth Sports and our linesmen for placement and size of lights on Tuesday morning. Jill will report back once she gets a quote on the lights.
- The linesmen are continuing to do work ready on the poles so Comcast can attach. It was slow go at first due to the weather, but they are on track now.

- CMELD will be hosting a CPR class here at the town hall. Anyone employee from the town hall who would like to participate will only have to pay \$10 for the certificate.
- Jill passed out the Meter Readers job duties.
- DPU Report almost ready to go.
- Next meeting is April 25, 2017
 - Meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Moretz