Chester Municipal Electric Light Department 15 Middlefield Road, Chester, MA 01011

Commissioner's Meeting

March 12, 2019

Present: Commissioners: Terry Murphy and Duane Pease

Manager: Jill Moretz

Guest: Rick Stone

• Meeting was called to order 6:10 pm

• Rick Stone brought in his bill and wanted clarification on what exactly the charges were on his bill. Jill explained the charges and informed him that the MCH charge (customer charge), Energy Charge, Distribution Charge, and Transmission Charges have not changed since 12/31/2015. These charges were filed with the Department of Public Utilities. The only charge that fluctuates is the PCA (Price Cost Adjustment) and is done quarterly. This charge is the charge that CMELD needs to collect to recoup the charges from ISO New England. Jill showed Mr. Stone the hike in the RNS and Ancillary charges from ISO New England over the last three years.

2016 \$181,772

2017 \$233,876

2018 \$319,680

Mr. Stone left with a better understanding of his bill and was satisfied.

- The letter that was sent out to all rate payers was reviewed. The letter was put up on the web-site too. The residential rates were posted on the web-site.
- Jill is still working on the DPU Report and is making headway.
- Jill sent out a group email to the other Electric Municipal Companies in the state to find out if any of them were able to join MASS Save for a fee. All responses were no. There are five Municipal Electric Companies that have bought into the RET (Renewable Energy

Trust). Commissioners reviewed the pros and cons and all agreed that it would not be a good idea to join. The cons outweigh the pros.

- Matt has sectioned off 3 areas on Route 20 to be cut and trimmed. He is still in the process
 of getting bids from multiple tree companies. Cutting will begin the first week in
 November. We cannot cut between April and October due to the nesting bats that are
 protected.
- The minutes of the February 12, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Motion was made by Duane to accept the minutes as written. Terry seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
- Next meeting will be held Tuesday, April 9, 2019.
 - Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Moretz