

Chester Municipal Electric Light Department

15 Middlefield Road, Chester, MA 01011

**Commissioner's Meeting**

December 21, 2017

Present: Commissioners: Terry Murphy, Deryck Savoy and Duane Pease  
Manager: Jill Moretz

- Meeting was called to order 6:05 pm
- Andy Meyers presented his report: The Economic Development Plan. Andy showed the graphs on the going trend for Chester and the surrounding hill towns. There was discussion on what we could do to help bring growth to the town. Andy proposed that we supply electricity for the entire street of Round Hill. This might bring new growth to the town.
- The minutes of the November 16, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Motion was made by Duane to accept the minutes as written. Terry seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
- The commissioners are willing to split the cost of a new Christmas tree with the town depending on the cost. Terry suggested we put up utility pole and run the lights down to make it look like a Christmas tree. Jill will check into the cost of a live tree.
- We are waiting until spring to see if we can use the Green Community grant (if we get one) to install solar panels on the garage. Also waiting to see if we can use some of those funds to install a new furnace on the CMELD side. The furnace is no longer being used for safety reasons. The furnace on the highway side is supplying heat to the entire garage without any issues. The cost of the furnace could be as high as \$11,000.
- Jill informed the commissioners that copies of the payable and payroll warrant from July was taped up on the board at the post office. Bill from the post office called to let us know that he took it down. He did not authorize for it to be posted. They were copies that Mike Hickson requested from Sue, the town clerk months ago.

- Jill past out a copy of Code of Conduct for Members of the Board from the Town of Norwood. She asked the commissioners to take a look and add or delete anything. It would be a good idea to have CMELD adopt some form of these.
- Next meeting is January 4, 2017 at 6:00 pm
  - Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Moretz