

Chester Municipal Electric Light Department

15 Middlefield Road, Chester, MA 01011

**Commissioner's Meeting**

October 9, 2018

Present: Commissioners: Terry Murphy and Deryck Savoy  
Manager: Jill Moretz

- Meeting was called to order 6:05 pm
- The minutes of the August 14, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Motion was made by Deryck to accept the minutes as written. Terry seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
- Jill spoke with Morgan Stanley again. They are not interested in opening up a CD for us. They said they would have to jump to many hoops for a municipality. Jill has spoken to our local banks and waiting on a call back. Terry said to check into Schwab.
- Jill spoke to MMWEC on managing our OPEB trust fund. She also has calls into our local banks and is waiting on a call back.
- Jill contacted Chris Pollart, Utility Lawyer on writing a policy for Health and Dental Insurance for retired employees. We asked Chris to check into not paying employee benefits to employee spouses after a divorce. He said we needed to check if the town voted on GL. C.32B S9h. Jill has done some research and checked with the Town Clerk on this and is fairly certain that the selectmen did not vote on this. We can proceed forward on writing a new policy once we are completely sure.
- There was discussion about how the Town of Sterling obtained a grant to install a battery back-up to provide power to the town in case of a power outage. Maybe with the help of Jeanne LeClair that is something the CMELD could look into.
- The commissioners agreed to give the employees December 24 and December 31 off with pay to the employees.
- Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 6:00 pm

- Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Moretz