

Chester Municipal Electric Light Department

15 Middlefield Road, Chester, MA 01011

**Commissioner's Meeting**

July 26, 2022

Present: Commissioners: Terry Murphy and Deryck Savoy  
Manager: Jill Moretz  
Guests: Rich Holzman, James Higby, Andy Meyers, Bob Daley, Jane and  
Richard Sutton.  
Via internet: Michelle Coscia & Ken Stambler, ENE and Nick Chuisano

Meeting was called to order 6:00 pm

- Ken presented a PowerPoint slide presentation. CMELD power contract is up at the end of this year. We will need to secure a Purchase Power Contract with Shell. Ken suggested two avenues CMELD could go down with Shell. One would secure a set price for power for three years at a higher price. The other would could purchase blocks of power but the price could vary up and down. Ken believes that purchasing block power would be the better avenue for CMELD to do. He believes it is the cheaper way to go. Either way the price is taken a huge jump due to the economy.

Ken said that there are a few new solar/wind projects that are coming up in the next couple of years and we can participate in those. He is positive that by the year 2030 we will have met our goal of 50% of our power will be from Green Energy.

Michelle reiterated that she thinks that for the best interest of CMELD that we do not take over the Solar on the Town Buildings. Michelle and Jill will speak in the next couple of days to go over this again.

- There was some discussion on PPA's for Residents and Commercial properties. There was some discussion as a town, how can we save on our energy costs? Andy will write something up about saving energy and send it to Jill to put in the Watts News.

- There is no new on the ball field cameras. Jill will talk to Jeremy to get update
- There is no update on the 126 Middlefield Road, Grow Facility Project.
- The minutes of the June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Deryck to accept as written, Terry seconded and was approved.
- Next meeting will be held Tuesday, August, 16<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 6:00pm.
  - Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Moretz