

Chester Municipal Electric Light Department

15 Middlefield Road, Chester, MA 01011

Commissioner's Meeting

August 15, 2023

Present: Commissioners: Deryck Savoy, Duane Pease
Manager: Diane Hall
Attendees: John Baldasaro, Andy Sutton, Brian Forgue (via phone) Andy
Myers, Mary Ann Pease, Rosanne McClafin, Jane Sutton, Bob
Daley
Absent: Terry Murphy

CMELD Commissioners meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

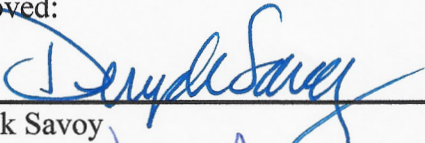
- Gave minutes of 7/18/23 meeting to Deryck and Duane for approval & signatures - Motion made by Deryck to approve and seconded by Duane.
- In Old Business, reported that State Line Heating would be installing the new propane heating system on the CMELD side of the Town garage, along with (4) 120-gallon propane tanks at the left rear side of the garage. Jeremy has constructed a "shelf" for the indoor unit per their specifications. They indicated this installation would be done before the end of September. Contacted George Propane and will be locking in a price for the season (through 9/1/24) at \$1.895/gallon.
- In New Business, The Selectmen had requested to attend to discuss expenses that the Finance Committee recommended by shared with CMELD – namely the Accountant and Treasurer fees. Diane indicated that the email from Sara to Andy Myers dated June 28th, stating that Treasury work for CMELD is about 25% of the total being billed to the Town, was not accurate, and she would like a more detailed accounting of what that company actually does for CMELD. John Baldasaro recommended that Sara come in to discuss this in person. It was decided that CMELD would pay for a portion of the Accounting bill but would need more information before agreeing to any percentage of the fee.

- Diane read an email sent to the Commissioners and herself from Jeremy Tremblay, who gave his notice to CMELD effective 5/31/24. He will stay to help find a replacement and train someone. He cited his concern regarding job security in wake of recent meetings with Eversource and his lack of free time to be able to spend with his family as the reasons for his notice.
- Andy Myers discussed with Deryck Savoy the progress being made regarding the feasibility of a hydroelectric station at Littleville Lake again. He has been in contact with the Army Corps of Engineers and is waiting for them to respond.
- The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m. by Duane Pease and seconded by Deryck Savoy.

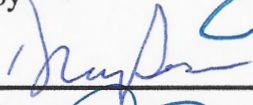
Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. Hall
General Manager
CMELD

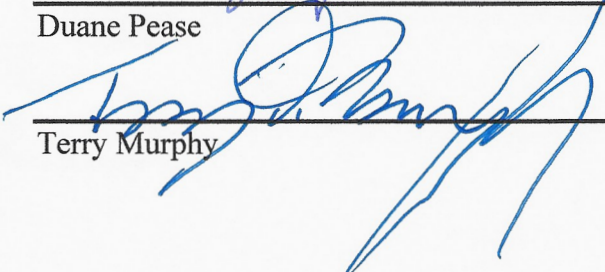
Approved:



Deryck Savoy



Duane Pease



Terry Murphy