

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

Commissioner's Meeting

October 16, 2025

Present: Lori Fieldstad, Beth Lansing, Deryck Savoy
Manager: Diane Hall
Guests: Rosanne McClafin

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. Minutes from August 27th, September 9th and September 25th meetings given to Commissioners to sign.

Discuss Goulet, Salvadio & Associates proposal to help with monthly accounting reconciliations. Approved by all three Commissioners, signed by Diane, and emailed to GSA right away.

Mass C.E.C. Grant for dead ash tree cutting on Bromley has been completed. Diane is completing required paperwork and invoice to send for CMELD's part of grant. Deryck had a concern about what trees had been cut vs. the trees he thought were being cut. He met with Dan and Cooper earlier on October 16th and the trees in question were on the opposite side of the road from the poles. Cooper mentioned that he heard from Tim at Ridgeline that those trees were part of a quote from Ridgeline to the Town, but it went back a few years. Diane said she would check at the BOS meeting on Monday to see if this was still active. If the Town is not going to have them cut, then CMELD would either wait for another Mass CEC grant to include them or get a quote and budget for that next year.

Diane said the Energy New England contract was due to be renewed by 12/31/25. Discussion was made regarding the MMWEC presentation vs. ENE. Deryck suggested that we contact Al Robinson in Russell (as he is a current client of MMWEC) and get his perspective on how they do billing, add-ons, etc.

The 2024 DPU report is complete, and Diane gave it to the Commissioners for approval. There was also an amended 2023 DPU report that needed to be signed. Roselli & Clark requested a copy so they could finish the audit for 2024. Diane will send on Monday, October 20th, along with emailing and mailing (certified) both reports to the Department of Public Utilities.

Diane mentioned that the letter from Hamden County Retirement Board came in the mail, and she would be getting the payroll information for them.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m. by Beth Lansing and seconded by Deryck Savoy.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. Hall
Manager
CMELD

Approved:



Deryck Savoy



Beth Lansing



Lori Fieldstad