

Chester Municipal Electric Light Department

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

Date: April 23, 2026

6:30 pm - CMELD office 15 Middlefield Road Chester MA 01011

Attendees: Deryck Savoy/Chairman (DS), Lori Fieldstad /Commissioner (LF), Beth Lansing/Commissioner (BL) Rosanne McClafin/CMELD Admin (RM), Alan Robinson (AR)

Chairman called meeting to order 7:05 pm due to unexpected late arrival.

Approval of minutes postponed to next meeting due to late start and pressing matters.

Lengthy discussion regarding DM resignation and possible options:

- Work toward a mutual agreement with Westfield Gas & Electric for daily and emergency needs
- Contact MMWEC proposing they create and manage a support program with equipment and personnel to support the smaller members.
- Replace with a new full-time lineman/foreman
- Hire part-time linesman for day-to-day operations
- Utilize Russel Electric for interim emergency and day-to-day operations as needed

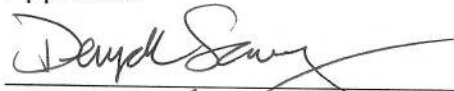

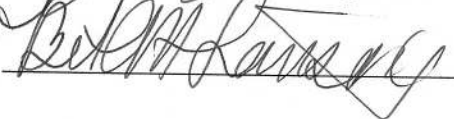
Discussion regarding duties Cooper would be able perform without presence of qualified linesman; pole and equipment inventory, equipment maintenance, line checks, etc.

There being no other business, DS motion to adjourn 9:07pm – BL seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosanne McClafin CMELD Admin Asst/Interim Mgr.

Approved:

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