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BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES' COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING

August 24, 2010

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The Regular August Meeting of the Norwich Board of Public Utilities' Commissioners was held on Tuesday, August 24, 2010 in the Board Room of Norwich Public Utilities located at 16 South Golden Street, Norwich.

Item 1. The Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Vice Chairman Boisclair.

Present: Chairman James Sullivan, Vice Chairman Diana Boisclair, Commissioner Alan Remondi and Commissioner Larry Goldman. Absent was Secretary Frank Demicco. Also in attendance were: General Manager John Bilda; NPU Staff Members Steve Sinko, Chris LaRose, Jeff Brining, Kerri Kemp and Michele Addabbo.

Item 2. Fifteen-Minute Public Comment Period. Commissioner Sullivan asked if there were any comments from the public. The following citizen addressed the Commission:

Keith Ripley, 9 Meadow Lane - Mr. Ripley asked the Commission to consider different in-kind services for the community, such as restrooms and Wi-Fi to Howard Brown Park and the Marina. He suggested that NPU let the citizens know about any plans that were being made.

Item 3. Minutes of the Regular July Meeting, held on Tuesday, July 27, 2010. Vice Chairman Boisclair, seconded by Commissioner Remondi moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, July 27, 2010. Unanimously approved.

Chairman Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Goldman moved to suspend the order of the meeting to enter into Item 5F. Control Room Update. Unanimously approved. Gary Schnip of Schnip Construction and Fred Marzec of Fred Marzec & Associates made a presentation to the Board on renovations to the NPU facility located at 16 South Golden Street.

Item 4. Performance Reports. The following performance reports were provided to the Commissioners for their review:

- General Manager Bilda addressed the Board with the information that the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe has selected Yankee Gas as their gas transportation contractor and service provider.
  - a) Financial Reports. Steve Sinko reviewed the July 2010 Financial Statements. He also provided the Board with an update on Planned Major Capital Investments. Informative.
  - b) Collections Reports: Informative.
  - c) Customer Satisfaction Indicators: Informative.

Item 5. NPU Tactical Information. The following tactical reports were provided to the Commissioners for their review:

- a) Operations & Construction Report. Informative.
- b) Customer Communications Calendar. Informative.
- c) Energy Efficiency Update. Informative.
- d) Construction Status Report. Informative.
- e) ConnSMART Update. Informative.
- f) Control Room Update. See above.
- g) PGA/PPA. There were no changes to the PGA or PPA this month.
- h) Other

- SMART Grid Update. Chris LaRose provided the Board with an update on the SMART Grid project. Discussion with the Board followed. Informative.

- General Manager Bilda provided the Board with information on rules regarding the referendum question. Informative.

Chairman Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Goldman moved to recess the Board meeting at 7:19 p.m. to enter into the Sewer Authority Meeting. Unanimously approved.

The meeting resumed at 7:22 p.m.

Item 6. Executive Session. Commissioner Goldman seconded by Commissioner Remondi, moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:23 p.m. to Discuss Confidential Trade Secret & Commercially Valuable Confidential or Proprietary Information Not Subject to Inspection or Public Disclosure Pursuant to Section 1-210[5] and 7-232a of the CT General Statutes. Unanimously approved. General Manager Bilda and staff members Steve Sinko, Chris LaRose, Kerri Kemp and Jeff Brining were asked by the Board to stay for the purpose of providing proprietary information.

The Board arose from Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

There were no votes taken during Executive Session.

Item 7. Other Business. None.

Item 8. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, September 28, 2010.

Commissioner Remondi, seconded by Commissioner Goldman moved to adjourn the Meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Attest:

James Sullivan  
Chairman