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CITY OF CONCORD
POLES AND WIRES COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 20, 2014 – 2:00 PM
2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL

ATTENDEES

Ed Roberge, City Engineer
Nancy Larson, City Planner
Chip Chesley, Director, General Services
Steve Henninger, Asst. City Planner
Paul Gendron, City Surveyor

CALL TO ORDER

Ed Roberge called the meeting to order and stated that this is Nancy Larson's first meeting of the Committee since being hired by the City this past spring.

APPROVAL OF 12/13/13 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Roberge opened the item and noted that the last scheduled meeting of March 28, 2014, had been cancelled due to a lack of agenda items and that the December 13, 2013, minutes were up for approval. Steve Henninger moved to approve the 12/13/13 Poles and Wires Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Roberge. Ms. Larson abstained. The motion to approve the minutes was approved.

PRELIMINARY / FINAL APPLICATIONS

Mr. Roberge asked Paul Gendron to briefly outline the agenda. Mr. Gendron stated that Jay Dunn of Waveguide had submitted one project consisting of three applications, one for South Spring Street, one for Concord Street, and one for South Street.

FINAL APPLICATIONS

1. 186 Communications, LLC, Request for Licensure of attachments to and utilization of existing poles, all within a City Right-of-Way.
South Spring Street, Concord Street, and South Street.

Mr. Gendron explained that 186 Communications, LLC (“186”), is an affiliate of Waveguide, which built the New Hampshire Optical Systems (NHOS) fiber optic network. The applications are for an aerial installation from a pole on the northerly side of Clinton Street at existing Waveguide plant, then running northerly on South Spring Street to Concord Street, easterly on Concord Street to South Street, then northerly on South Street to Thompson Street. Mr. Gendron recommended that the application be approved with the following condition:

- That 186 Communications, LLC, shall make an annual report to the Poles and Wires Committee informing it of the progress of its infrastructure as of April 1, 2015, and every April thereafter until the infrastructure subject to this petition is completed, at which time 186 Communications, LLC, shall notify the Committee of its completion of the project.

Mr. Gendron also explained that he had inquired with Jon Shannon of Unitil as to whether Unitil had any concerns with this particular project. Mr. Shannon indicated that they had no concerns with the request of 186. Mr. Shannon did state that another company named Otel Telecom (“Otel”), which he believes is an affiliate of G4 Telecom, N.H., Inc., had approached Unitil about attaching a riser to one of its poles at Thompson Street. Mr. Shannon explained that he believes that 186 is working with Otel to connect to the central plant of Fairpoint on South Street. Otel plans to install fiber in underground Fairpoint conduit to connect the 186 plant to the Fairpoint building. Mr. Shannon stated that he had informed Otel that they will need an Attachment Agreement with Unitil and Fairpoint, and advised them that they will need to get approval from the City prior to constructing the riser.

Mr. Chesley made a motion to accept the recommendation. Seconded by Ms. Larson and all concurred. The license petitions were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Service Company of New Hampshire, Request for Conditional Use Permit from the City Planning Board.
Multiple Public Streets.

Mr. Gendron indicated that Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) had approached the City Planning Board for a Conditional Use Permit for proposed wetland and shoreland buffer disturbances for the proposed PSNH 317 Line. Mr. Gendron indicated that licenses would be required for all public street crossings. He indicated

that he would contact the applicant to make them aware.

2. Double Poles.

Multiple Public Streets.

Mr. Roberge indicated that the Engineering Services Division has summer interns compiling a list of double poles throughout the City. He stated that he would like to send the pole owners a list of the poles and ask them to remove the dead poles as soon as possible.

NEXT MEETING

Mr. Gendron noted that the next meeting is September 19.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items to discuss, Mr. Chesley made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Ms. Larson.