

## PennEast Pipeline Committee meeting via telecall

March 16, 2020 5PM-6PM

### Participants

- ✓ [Kelly Kappler](#)
- ✓ [Filomena Hengst](#)
- ✓ [Councilman Sanders](#)
- ✓ [Judy Carroll](#)
- ✓ [Sue Begent](#)
- ✓ [Michael Heffler](#)
- ✓ [Kimberly Nagy](#)

### Minutes

- recap current status & actions taken thus far
  - new docket CP20-47, CAP informed and a few individuals intervened. The new application is split into 2 phases, with this docket for phase 1 of the route in PA.
  - City filed as intervenor:  
[https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/file\\_list.asp?accession\\_num=20200304-5139](https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/file_list.asp?accession_num=20200304-5139)
  - current comment period open until March 30 – will circulate talking points with instructions how to comment
    - over 500 comments already on docket
    - city will file a comment, Kelly to circulate talking points
    - comments can mention that this should be a completely new application instead of an amendment
    - some challenges experienced by Judy & Kim, could be due to requirement to confirm FERC log on details. Were able to file comments but not file as intervenor
  - expect Environmental Assessment to be posted and then another comment period
  - will supreme court take case from 3<sup>rd</sup> circuit?
- PA side – carbon county – Request for Michael to connect with local CAP to see how we can support
- status update on resolution reaffirming City Council opposition to PennEast
  - look to be passed at upcoming council meeting, circulated with council members, need to update to reflect current status
- status update on area energy co-op
  - energy bills in April/May will have lower cost of energy and 28% renewables energy
  - Another auction will take place in June with opportunity to increase renewables
  - 9 towns joined Hunterdon Area Co-op
  - Some press observed, more to come

- If in JCP&L then automatically move to new plan. If in third party plan, then need to opt in to plan.
- Next steps:
  - Continue to provide guidance to distribution list of CAP to comment on docket, post on facebook. Kim to draft communication to send out to distribution list.
  - Consider how to influence FERC
  - additional actions to take (schedule library hours to assist residents in commenting on docket, draft comment from City, etc)
  - plan spring city wide update - tentatively scheduled evening of April 28 or May 4 at Justice Center – consider alternative given COVID-19 concerns.
  - Consider Facebook live event as alternative to face to face city wide update
  - consider Swan Creek designation as C1 classification?
  - Townhall event with Tom Malinowski could be opportunity to raise topic
  - next meeting to focus on planning virtual townhall or consider smaller series of videos to keep top of mind
    - target speakers/contributors:
      - town resolution announcement (Councilman Sanders)
      - Sierra Club
      - Delaware Riverkeeper
      - Rethink Energy NJ
    - What do we want their message to be?
    - What actions do we want listeners to take?
    - How can we support them?

Other documents to note:

- HALT's comment on new docket:  
[https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/file\\_list.asp?accession\\_num=20191018-5157](https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/file_list.asp?accession_num=20191018-5157)
- HALT's PennEast lawsuits updated status – see attached
- Comments by Watershed Institute and NJ Conservation Foundation