

NEK Community Broadband

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2021 - 3pm - 4:30pm

Attendees: Jami Jones (clerk), Christine Hallquist (admin), Michael Strait, William Piper, Nick Anzalone, Jonathan Baker, Morgan Wade, Katherine Sims

Agenda Review

Motion to approve minutes. Motioned: Morgan, Seconded: Mike, Carried:(7-0)

Updates

- Action Items Check In
 - Discussion over the Concord/Waterford project. The state has not confirmed that the towns are receiving the ARPA funds.
 - There is a necessity for more grant reporting. Christine will report back on the incoming grant and what the requirements are for the NEK in detailed reporting
- Administrative Update
- Meeting Roundup
- Committee Updates
 - Communications- sent out the prompt for FCC and ARPA guidance. Looking to do regular communication from the mailchimp, and getting on top of the media releases and what we want to communicate outwards about the business plan.
 - Questions of possibly having a forum, and making it so that the communications committee has their own email address, to reply and respond to
 - Discussion on how the communications committee can effectively communicate with the capacity of volunteers
- Christine's Update

New Business

3:20 - NRTC Check In

- Received good engagement with the Info Sessions.
- Overall impression was that the board was satisfied with the distribution areas

Motion to go into executive session to discuss the matter that would disadvantage the CUD if it were to be made public 1VSA ss 316 with Jami Jones, Christine Hallquist, and Kevin Fitzgibbons. Motioned: William Piper, Seconded: Mike Strait, Carried: (7-0).

Motion to exit Executive Session. Motioned: Michael Seconded: William Carried: (7-0)

No action was taken in Executive Session

To approve the recommendation to the governing board of the business plan as prepared by NRTC as presented this past week, contingent on a third party review. Motioned: Mike Strait, Seconded: Nick Anzalone, Carried (7-0).

3:45 - Business Plan Feedback Sessions & Recommendation to Governing Board

- Discussion on how to present the beginnings of the business plan to the Governing Board.

4:00 - Operator vs ISP & Recommendations to Governing Board

- Going to table a discussion about the CUD possibly pursuing an operator model.

4:20 - Governing Board Agenda

- Legislative/Funding Update
- Business Plan (Executive Session)
- Updates

Other Business

Action Items

- Christine will report back on the incoming grant and what the requirements are for the NEK in detailed reporting

Motion to adjourn. Motioned: William, Seconded: Morgan. Carried:(7-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Jami Jones, NEK Broadband, Clerk

