



Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (DRAFT)

Jan. 5, 2023, 4-5:30 pm (EST)

Attendees: Morgan Wade (Chair), Paul Fixx, Ray Lanier, Michael Strait, Nick Anzalone, Jonathan Baker, Bill Piper.

Staff: Nedah Warstler, Christa Shute, Danielle Sukkaew, Erik Townsend

Agenda

Roll Call, Agenda Review, and Review of Minutes

Motioned: Mike Strait Seconded: Paul Fixx	For	Against	Abstain
Motion: To approve the minutes from 12/22.	6	0	1

- **Discussion Summary:** Christa introduced our newest hire, Erik Townsend, GIS Specialist/Project Manager to the Executive Committee. Meeting called to order at 4:10 pm.
- Nick joined at 4:14 pm.

Operations and Staffing

Motioned: Mike Strait Seconded: Ray Lanier	For	Against	Abstain
Motion: To enter into Executive Session with board members but without staff, finding that the discussion of Operations and Staffing would disadvantage the parties involved were it to be made public at this time.	7	0	0

- **Discussion Summary:** No action was taken in Executive Session. The Committee left Executive Session at 4:53 p.m.

FCC Challenge Process

Motioned: Mike Strait Seconded: Paul Fixx	For	Against	Abstain
Motion: to enter into Executive Session with staff and other board members, finding that premature disclosure of strategy of the FCC Challenge details would disadvantage NEK Broadband were it to be made public at this time.	7	0	0

- **Discussion Summary:** No action was taken in Executive Session. The Committee left Executive Session at 4:59 p.m.

Pole Inventory Services Bid Review & Approval to contract for services

Motioned: Mike Strait Seconded: Ray Lanier	For	Against	Abstain
Motion: to have a subgroup comprised of Christa, Ray Lanier, and Bill Gilbert make the decision on pole inventory bids. Motion amended by Nick and seconded by Morgan: unless the subgroup discovers something that the entire Executive Committee needs to address.	7	0	0

Discussion Summary:

NEK Broadband received proposals from 7 companies. Christa proposed the idea of a sub-group (Ray Lanier, Bill Gilbert, and Christa) to decide who will be awarded. The goal is to have selected the final awardee by Monday, 1/9/22.

Nick: Is there a conflict of interest that requires EC input?

Christa: If the smaller sub-group has a question or concern about any of the proposals, they will bring it back to the EC early next week. Ray will make a presentation to vote on if Christa is unavailable the beginning of the week.

Paul F. left at 5:42.

Adjourn

Motioned: Mike Strait Seconded: Ray Lanier	For	Against	Abstain

Motion: to adjourn.	6	0	0
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Discussion Summary:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Drafted by:

Nedah Warstler, NEK Broadband, Clerk

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