

Newbury Telecommunications
Rural Economic Development Infrastructure District
Newbury REDInet Regular Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2020, 4:30 pm, The Space on Main

DRAFT MINUTES

Board Members Present: Ed Childs, Claude Phipps, Brad Vietje, Dan Burwinkel. NOT A QUORUM.

1. Call to order: Unofficial discussion begins 5:05 pm

2. Guests: Rick Hausman

3. Approval of Minutes of February 24, 2020: Minutes could not be approved without a quorum. Both the Feb. 24 minutes and the March 9 minutes will need approval at Monday, March 23, meeting.

4. Treasurer's Report: Claude made a \$75 donation in honor of Rick Hausman's 75th birthday.

5. Clerk's Report: None

6. Don Williams, Senior Broadband Specialist, U.S. Department of Commerce: Nothing new

7. Paul Phillips, Attorney: Claude sent signed copy of contract.

8. Board Membership:

a. Claude will ask Anna Lornitzo if she is interested in becoming a member.

b. We learned that Luke has not been included in REDInet emails. Brad forwarded his most current email address for Luke to Dan, who invited him to participate.

9. Consultant:

a. Tilson cancelled their REDInet contract.

b. The board reviewed and compared a work order that Claude created – which Tilson received before their break with us – to Tilson's work order.

10. Sub-Committee Reports:

a. **Partnership with Consolidated Communications.** No report from Luke.

I. **iList of shared duties:** No report.

ii. **Contract for Engineering Study:** Claude will try to hold Tilson contract open until he can review with them. He will also renew contact with Magellan.

b. **Technology:** Ed is scheduled to attend an upcoming meeting with Matrix Design Group.

c. **Finance:**

iBroadband Innovation Grant 2019: WRSB loan is delayed until a consultant signs.

ii. USDA Grant: Mary Collins submitted expenses to USDA, which rejected the request. Claude will continue to discuss with Susi Poland. Ed asks if Sen. Leahy's office can help.

11. Other Business: None

12. Next REDInet meeting: Monday, March 23, 2020 at The Space on Main, 4:30 pm.

– Submitted by Linda Ide, Meeting Recorder

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Newbury REDInet Budget 2020

1 January - 31 December 2020

		2020 Budget	2020 Actual
<u>Income</u>			3/9/20
	Allocated from existing funds	\$11,400	
	Includes: Think VT grant (8,116) and \$2,700 restricted		
	Grants		
	USDA legal services	\$4,000	\$1,197.00
	USDA Engineering study	\$5,000	\$5,000.00
	USDA Consultant Phase I	\$10,000	
	BIG 2019 Consultant phase I	\$10,000	
	BIG 2019 Consultant phase II	\$24,000	
	Donations		
	Restricted Subscriber	\$2,000	
	Unrestricted	\$600	\$275.00
		\$67,000	\$6,472.00
<u>Expenses</u>			
	Engineering Study, Consolidated	\$10,000	\$5,000.00
	Legal services	\$2,000	\$1,197.00
	Consultant phase I	\$29,000	
	Consultant phase II	\$24,000	
	Governing Board		
	Meeting Recorder	\$1,200	\$150.00
	Office rent	\$400	\$400.00
	Training	\$0	
	Publicity	\$400	
		\$67,000	\$6,747.00
Includes town reimbursement, first quarter 2020			
	Checking account balance, Reconciled 2/28/2020	\$11,431.76	