

NEWBURY TELECOMMUNICATIONS RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
INFRASTRUCTURE  
DISTRICT

**Newbury REDI District Board meeting April 9, 2018**

Board members present: Nate Dudenhoffer, Jim Henderson,  
Claude Phipps, Brad Vietje, Chip Conquest

Board members absent: Lenice Cicchini, Ed Childs, Dan Burwinkle

Meeting called to order by Claude Phipps at 4:45 PM

Minutes of 3-26-2018 approved as posted at [www.NewburyREDI.net](http://www.NewburyREDI.net)

**Select a note taker:** Jim will takes notes for meeting

**Treasurer's Report:** No report given, Dan was absent

**Clerk's Report:** Brad reports that the SAM# is all set with Town

**1. Sub-Committee Reports:**

- a. **Coordination with FairPoint:** — Chip will review the MOU doc and get it back to Claude to mail certified mail to CCI — Chip will find out from Jeff Austin who to the send the letter to at CCI— Brad's name will be added to List on contacts to talk with CCI
- b. **Technology:** — not discussed
- c. **Finance:** *(Rick & Laurie) progress on grants and loans; — Meeting with Eric Law, E-Connect poster — draft is ready and Laurie is meeting with Susan Poulin of USDA next Tuesday 4-17-2018 — check email from Rick about webinar on rural development grants and loans — contact is Erik Law*
- d. **Publicity:** — not discussed
- e. **Proposed amended Statute:** *Progress — Passed the house but is waiting on passage from the Senate*
- f. **Web site:** *(Jim) Progress & challenges, Minutes & agendas, Pictures, Removal of old website. — Dan has changed link on old site to Newbury Redi site, Nate will get an attention grabber*

phrase for website — Jim will make a link to the survey at bottom of home page.

2. **MOU for all volunteers:** *distribution*; Brad will distribute MOU for volunteers
3. **Hiring Clerk for Minutes:** Discussion, *Claude suggested we hire someone to take notes for the board meetings (3+ hr @ \$15 / hr = \$50 — per meeting)* — the board felt we were not ready to take this step.
4. **Customer surveys:** *Electronic version of survey — distribution through the website* — advertised through the list serves. survey placed at each of the libraries — Brad will handle this action
5. **Next steps, Discussion of schedule:** *USDA Grant, web site, contract with FairPoint* — Claude started discussion about adding a new board member to replace Susan Underwood on the board. Carolyn Nininger was recommended as a prospect for this position
6. **Other Business:** — *email from CJ about spreadsheet meeting with Les (Brad, Dan & Nate)* — Brad received no response
7. **Next REDI meeting:** April 23, 2018, Tenney Library, 4:30 – 6:30 PM

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM