

NEWBURY TELECOMMUNICATIONS RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INFRASTRUCTURE DISTRICT.

Monday, July 9, 2018

4:30 PM, Tenney Library, Newbury Village

Newbury REDInet Meeting Agenda

Attending: Claude Phipps, Nate Dudenhoeffer, Rick Hausman, Brad Veitje, Lenice Cicchini, Ken Rower.

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 PM

1. **Updates to Agenda:** Ken expressed a desire to have the meetings last no longer than one hour.

2. **Note taker: Lenice 7/9, (Nate 7/23, Ed 8/13, Chip 8/27)**

Lenice Cicchini took notes.

3. **Approval of Minutes:** (June 25, 2018) Minutes have not been posted. Approval was waived until the next meeting.

4. **Treasurer's Report: Funds on hand, bills paid, funds received**

There was no treasurer's report.

5. **Clerk's Report: Volunteer MOU, survey reports, thank you letters**

The MOU was re-sent and included a request for reply. Thank-you notes were distributed.

6. **Sub-Committee Reports:**

- a. **Administration of Grant: Draft CCI contract**

Claude reported that we have not yet heard whether or not we've received the USDA grant.

Nate mentioned, regarding his suggestion that the contract state we serve permanent residents, the need to define who we're serving. Claude would like to see non-permanent residents served as well. It was suggested that the wording in the contract draft be changed to "all premises connected to the power grid."

- b. **Contract Generation and Partnership with Consolidated Communications (CCI):** Claude and Nate are in conversation regarding this.

- c. **Technology:**

Nate stated the need, with respect to competition, for a conversation regarding low elevation satellites (low earth orbit) Brad suggested a sub-committee be formed for this that would report to the board.

- d. **Finance:** Ross Hart from Vermont Small Business Development Center would like to help us, and has been added to the Google group.

e. Publicity: Progress on banner purchase, West Newbury parade August 11

The banner has been ordered with the changes in wording agreed upon at the last meeting. The cost will be approximately \$100.00

f. Proposed amended Statute: place holder

Rick recommended having a bill introduced by Chip.

g. Web site: (Jim) The Speed test is on the website. Nate recommended using a speed test that does not contain ads. Google's is an option. Nate will speak with Dan about this.

7. Customer surveys: Electronic version of survey

Not discussed

8. Operating business models: Nate

Nate will give his presentation at a future date.

9. Next steps, Discussion of schedule: place holder

Not discussed

10. Board members: Replacements?

Not discussed

11. Other Business:

None

12. Next REDI meeting: July 23, 2018, Tenney Library, 4:30 - 6:30 PM

The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 PM

Submitted: Lenice Cicchini Vice Chair, 7/10/2018