

NEWBURY TELECOMMUNICATIONS RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
INFRASTRUCTURE DISTRICT.

Monday, December 23, 2019 4:30 PM, Space on Main

Minutes Newbury REDInet Meeting

Present: Dan Burwinkel, Rick Hausman (guest), Claude Phipps, Brad Vietje, Lenice Cicchini, Chip Conquest, Bonnie Taylor, Edward Childs, Liane Allen

1. **Updates to Agenda:**

2. **Guests:** Luke Birch of Fulcrum Fiber; Jaqueline Labate of Topsham has conflicts and could not attend.

3. **Note taker: Ed 12/23**, (Rick 1/13/2020; Annual meeting, Bonnie 1/27; Chip 2/10; Liane 2/24; Lenice 2/9)

Lenice report on search for Meeting Recorder. Jacqueline Labate interested and was a strong candidate. Linda Duxbury, Newbury, was also a possibility.

4. **Approval of Minutes:** (November 25, December 9) Dec. 9 meeting was closed to the public, no amendments proposed. Nov. 25, Liane's minutes were approved with changes. (Corrections to section 8cii.)

5. **Treasurers Report:** Balance \$11,681.76 Discuss draft budget. Ed moved to increase contribution to SOM towards rental of conference room from \$250 to \$400, Lenice seconded, all approved. Chip suggested writing future grants to include rental of conference space at the full price of \$25/hr.

6. **Clerk's Report:** Meeting dates, Annual meeting, Town Report, Luke's name was submitted by email to Alma of the town select board on Dec. 12. The board sent a card with thanks to Nate for his service. Potential meeting dates sent out by Brad. 2020 dates revised to be presented at the annual meeting: Jan.13, 27 Annual meeting, Feb.10, 24, Mar. 9, 23, Apr.13, 27, May 11, 25 ->27th, June 8, 2, July 13, 27, Aug. 10, 24, Sept.14, 28, Oct. 12, 26, Nov. 9, 23, Dec. 7 ->14 **28 -> X**

7. **Consultant: Selection Vote.** All agreed by consensus that Mission should be removed from consideration. After further discussion, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Tilson.

8. **Sub-Committee Reports:**

a. **Partnership with Consolidated Communications:**

- i. **List of shared duties, Google, RACI list**

- ii. **Contract for Engineering Study**, discussion of CCI presentation. Next meeting Jan. 13 to discuss CCI engineering study. Claude offered to communicate with CCI to request a “minimum” proposal as a counter to the “worst case” estimate at the official presentation. However, the Board felt that we should wait for the consultant to review the material and offer counterproposals.

b. **Technology:**

c. **Finance:**

- i. **Broadband Innovation Grant:**

- ii. **USDA Grant:** Mary is preparing first request for payment to USDA. Claude will forego the next USDA grant cycle.

d. **Publicity:** LOGO: Various logos were presented and discussed. Town Report: Brad and Claude are working on the report.

9. **Other Business:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

10. **Next REDI meeting:** Monday January 13, Space on Main, 4:30 PM

Submitted: Edward Childs, Board Member 12/24/2019