Broadband Subcommittee of Temple Community Advisory Committee (TCAC) FINAL MINUTES

Wednesday, March 24, 2021, 6:30 PM

Via Zoom per Gov. Sununu Emergency Orders #12 & #16

Attendees: Christine Robidoux, Keith Charlton, Mike Flynn, Jessica Hipp

Christine Robidoux read the SOE text and attendance was taken via roll call.

Minutes from the March 19th meeting were approved unanimously. Christine abstained from voting.

The subcommittee discussed the revised flyer. An edit was made to add the email address templebroadband@templenh.org. The flyer was approved unanimously. Christine will send the flyer to be printed. The Select Board has approved spending up to \$250 for printing and mailing. We can do an e-blast and post on the Temple Website.

The committee discussed the draft contract. Once CCI responds with requested edits, the subcommittee will send the draft for legal review. Then it will go to the SB. Make sure to add phrase universal coverage.

Christine gave an update from the Bond Bank. At this time, there are no plans to schedule an additional bond sale. The bond bank sent an application so we can be ready. If we miss summer sales, we have the option to apply for short term funding.

SB85 (matching grants for broadband in NH) is expected to pass. Once it passes, it will go to the state budget committee to be allocated. Earliest funding would be available seems to be July 1st. Senator Ricciardi asked at the Monadnock Broadband Group if towns are interested. J. Hipp will follow up.

The bond attorney can give us a list of other potential funding sources outside of the bond bank. Christine will contact CIP to coordinate further.

The subcommittee discussed the April 22nd public interest hearing. The hearing is hosted by the Select Board, and the broadband subcommittee should take minutes. Christine will double check with Renelle on timing and required content for postings. Jessica will present at the hearing. Jeff McIver from CCI will attend.

Christine will post flyer on the Town Facebook page. Mike will post on the alternative Facebook page.

The meeting adjourned at 7:08pm

Respectfully submitted by J. Hipp