## Broadband Subcommittee of Temple Community Planning Committee (TCPC) FINAL Minutes

Wednesday, August 26, 2020, 7:00 PM

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

Attendees: Christine Robidoux, Dana Nowell, Bill Walker, Jessica Hipp

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

C. Robidoux read the State Of Emergency text. Attendance was taken via roll call.

The meeting minutes from June 26, 2020 were approved unanimously.

#### **Review RFI Responses**

Two responses were submitted. Consolidated sent a spreadsheet, as requested in the RFI. Comcast sent a map. If we need to have a percentage of served vs. unserved locations, we will need to reverse engineer the map data into spreadsheet form, using the tax database. C. Robidoux will clarify with Bond Counsel.

#### **Drafting RFP**

The subcommittee referenced three example RFIs from other towns in the Monadnock region.

- Dublin RFP
- Chesterfield RFP
- Hancock RFP (DRAFT)

Monadnock Broadband Group suggests reaching out to ISPs who we expect to respond before finalizing the RFP. J. Hipp will reach out to Consolidated and Comcast. D. Nowell will do a first pass at an RFP.

B. Walker inquired about electricity requirements for fiber. He also brought up questions about access requirements to run fiber from the road to the house, including who bears the cost and granting a right of way.

Monadnock Broadband Group suggests holding a forum before we put out the RFP. We are in good shape for bringing a proposal to Town Meeting next year. We want to continue moving expediently so we are ready if and when additional CARES funding becomes available.

J. Hipp will draft a timeline based on the Bond Counsel requirements. C. Robidoux will request to be on the Select Board agenda for September 8, when we can bring a draft of the RFP.

# **Monadnock Broadband Implementation Guide**

The subcommittee <u>reviewed a draft</u> of the Monadnock Broadband Implementation Guide. Feedback is due August 31, 2020.

C. Robidoux noted that another round of CARES funding was allocated – now \$14M out of \$50M has been allocated.

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

- Broadband Committee Thursday, Sept. 3 @ 7pm
- Select Board Sept. 8, 6:30 pm
- Possible Public Forum Thursday, Sept. 17 @ 7:30 pm
- Broadband Committee Friday, Sept. 18 @ 7:30 pm
- Select Board Sept. 22, 6:30 pm

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by J. Hipp