Broadband Subcommittee of Temple Community Planning Committee (TCPC) FINAL MINUTES

Monday, June 2, 2020, 7 PM

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

Attendees: Christine Robidoux, Dana Nowell, Jessica Hipp, Jeff McIver

C. Robidoux opened the meeting by reading the SOE script. Attendance was taken via roll call.

Discuss Broadband Survey Results

D. Nowell reviewed a draft memo summarizing the results of the broadband survey. The broadband sub-committee will meet again on Thursday, June 4th to officially approve the memo, after which it will be sent to the Select Board.

Update on NH Bond Bank Counsel

C. Robidoux received an engagement letter from the NH bond council. The letter will be sent to the Select Board. There is no upfront cost for the lawyer; she is paid out of bond proceeds, should the bond pass. The first step in the process is to send out an RFI. The broadband subcommittee will meet on Thursday, June 4th to finalize and approve the RFI.

Update from Consolidated

Jeff McIver from Consolidated Communications joined the call to update about their work with other NH towns. The five towns that passed bonds in March have completed contracts, and the next step is to begin laying fiber. The goal is to begin signing up customers and providing service in the fall. J. McIver recommended that we stay in touch with the Monadnock Broadband Group and Harrisville's broadband committee, which completed a thorough and efficient RFI and RFP process.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings

June 4th 7:30 pm Broadband Subcommittee June 8th Monadnock Broadband Group June 16th 7 PM TCPC All Committee Meeting Right-to-Know Workshop TBD or July 8th

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Hipp