

Broadband Meeting

March 26, 2024

Present: Jen Schmitz, Adam Balz, Joey Esterline, Rick Folkedahl, Chris Bernett, Jim VanWychen, Cedric Schnitzler

Other: Mary VonRuden, Tracy Bedworth – Vernon Communication Cooperative , Nodji VanWychen, Jeremiah Erickson

WebEx: Roxie Anderson, Chris Hardie, Chris Heffel, Kelly Shipley -Brightspeed

Meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Chair Jen Schmitz in the Monroe County Board Assembly Room.

Roll Call/Introductions-

Motion by Jim VanWychen second by Joey Esterline to approve meeting minutes from Feb 27, 2024 meeting. Carried.

Updates on Current Efforts

- PSC Grant- Tracy provided update.
- Tomah/Warrens school district effort- No Update provided
- Brightspeed – Kelly Shipley provided update
- Lynxx – No update provided.

Grant Updates

- BEAD Grant- No Update
- DCIP – Cedric Schnitzler provided update.

Monroe County Mapping/GIS Updates

- Jeremiah Erickson Provided update.

Towns Association Meeting

- Jen Schmitz provides update.

Exploring Opportunities

- The committee offered up suggestions on how to promote broadband, broadband testing, and how to get the information out.

Next Meeting Date April 23, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the Monroe County Board Assembly Room.

Next month's meeting Agenda Items-

- Identify road construction to potential work with providers
- BEAD

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jim VanWychen second by Rick Folkedahl at 5:45p.m. Carried.