

Minutes of the Broadband Committee  
Town of Charlemont  
July 29, 2015

- This meeting was originally scheduled for July 22, but was postponed to accommodate scheduling conflicts with the WiredWest technology committee.
- The meeting was called to order at 7:38 PM by Bob Handsaker.
- Committee members in attendance: Bob Handsaker, Mary Ellen Banks, Steve Ferguson, Ken Hall, Cheryl Handsaker, Trevor Mackie.
- Trevor Mackie has been appointed to an open seat on the Broadband Committee and also as the alternate delegate for WiredWest, replacing Steve Ferguson.
- Crocker Communications did not show up for their appointment (they contacted the committee the next day to apologize for the scheduling mix up).
- Steve Ferguson asked to be replaced on the Broadband Committee. We listed several potential people to replace Steve. Bob Handsaker will follow up with them.
- Cheryl Handsaker reported on the sign-up campaign. We still need 107 more sign ups. The town will sign up some addresses. Bob and Cheryl Handsaker will review the maps and assessor's data to correct problems and possibly reduce the number of sign ups needed to get to 40%. We agreed to make a new "push" in the fall.
- Trevor Mackie reported on the WiredWest board meeting. Major discussions were the organization of the new cooperative (or modifying the membership of the existing coop) and the availability of dark fiber. The Broadband Committee discussed whether there was dark fiber available from Lighttower from Rowe (Bear Swamp switch yard) to Albany and at Pratt's Corner in Shutesbury.
- Bob Handsaker reported on the WiredWest technology committee meeting on high level network design.
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.