

## CHARLEMONT BROADBAND COMMITTEE

Monday, February 3 at 6:00 pm at the Tyler Memorial Library.

**ATTENDING:** Trevor Mackie, Bob Handsaker, Doug White, Cheryl Handsaker

### **1. Approve Minutes and Meeting Notes from 1/27/2020**

- a. ACTION TAKEN: Approved unanimously.

### **2. Status of NEE**

- a. Update on Construction Progress

### **3. Status of Make-Ready**

- a. Status of utility applications

- b. Town Hall Exterior

- c. Railroads

- i. Long Bridge

- 1. We are looking at the concept plan approach that allows the town to place a couple of poles to ease the National Grid transfer.

- 2. Osmose has given us an estimate of that design work.

- a. ACTION TAKEN: Recommend to the MLP Manager or the Select Board that we engage Osmose for Long Bridge cost-saving redesign up to \$4400. Approved unanimously.

- ii. Tower Road

- iii. South River Road

- iv. West Hawley Road residence

- d. Bridges

- i. Slack Loop review/ additions

### **4. Status of Distribution Network**

- a. Status of the distribution contract

- i. ACTION TAKEN: Recommend to the Select Board to approve Phase 4 Amendment. Unanimously

- ii. Procurement questionnaire was reviewed as exemplary work and modifications were made to the language to clarify needs around the railroad crossings.

- b. Next actions on design Heath Stage Terrace and Hawk Hill Rd. following Select Board decision.

- i. No update.

- c. Status of edge cases

- i. Heath

1. Warner Hill Rd. - Discussed with Charlemont Highway Department a possible underground installation. We'd like to go ahead with this approach for Warner Hill Rd.
2. Heath has ask WG&E has gotten the construction cost from Tri-wire for Bassett Rd/ Center Heath Rd. Lease fees for 9 poles that go to the Charlemont on an annual fees.

ii. Rowe - No update.

**5. Project Schedule Update**

- a. Project plan review

**6. Project Finance Update**

- a. Payments/ Income of Broadband project
- b. Status of additional funding sources

**7. Communication Notes**

- a. Workshop planning?
- b. Wired West communications with folks without provided email contact information

**8. Any other business not reasonably foreseen 48 hours in advance of meeting**

Next meeting: February 10, 2020 @ 6PM

Broadband Committee will call Trevor.

Adjourned 8:22 pm