

CHARLEMONT BROADBAND COMMITTEE

ATTENDING: Bob Handsaker, Mary Ellen Banks, Trevor Mackie, Doug White, and Cheryl Handsaker

MISSING: Valentine Reid, Ken Hall

The meeting was not posted correctly, so this is an information-only meeting.

1. Status of Make-Ready

- a. West Hawley Road residence
 - i. Cheryl will contact National Grid to understand next steps
 - ii. Access Plus is willing to do time and materials in case of failure.
- b. Town Hall Generator
 - i. No update
- c. Shunpike
 - i. Waiting to go into the easement once trimming is ready.

2. Distribution Network

- a. Construction Update
 - i. Testing resumed in FSA 05.
 - ii. TriWire construction crews did not arrive Thurs, Fri, Mon.
- b. Resiliency Planning
 - i. All five towns have now signed the agreement to move forward. The meeting is being scheduled for early October.
 - ii. Some frustration about the communication with WG&E.
 - iii. Physical readiness, three links still not connected:
 1. Colrain-Heath
 2. Charlemont-Rowe
 3. Charlemont-Heath
 - iv. Cost-sharing agreements are important and moving ahead.
 - v. Cheryl reach out regarding questions with Vijay, Brian S. with resiliency solutions
 - vi. Passive backhaul - what is the decision
 1. Starting small and increasing as more customers come online providing we can get a guarantee of QoS for e-911.
- c. Hub Monitoring
 - i. Climates by Pomeroy came out and fixed the drain line. The wrong type of tubing was used. What is the longer-term solution? Tie the line into the sewer or tying it into the storm drain or tying it into the humidifier?
 1. Can move this into the floor drain for now?
 2. Flexible tubing installed
 3. Run it into the storm drain.
 - ii. Remote for the AC wasn't working
 1. Bob changed the battery and the temperature was reset to 75 degrees.
 2. Spikes are continuing to happen with the humidity.
 - iii. Electric meter is now operational

1. Bob is gathering data on the usage.
 - iv. WG&E may have a solution available but it has not been presented to Charlemont yet.
- 3. Drops**
- a. MDU Status: South River Rd condos, 122 Main, Woodland Park, Mohawk Park
 - i. Mohawk Park - the original design had 9 underground drops, an additional unit was added by WCF at owner's request. Does the drop policy apply?
 - ii. South River Rd, 122 Main, Woodland Park is being scheduled with WG&E in next couple of weeks
 - b. Underground Drops requiring communication
 - i. Johnson Rd address is being scheduled with WG&E in next couple of weeks
- 4. Commercial Pricing**
- a. Country Aire Connection
 - b. Discussing other businesses to be contacted
- 5. Subscription Campaign**
- a. [Subscription Update](#)
 - b. Data Privacy
 - i. [Review policy](#)
- 6. Project Finance Update**
- a. First tranche of ARPA money has been spent
 - b. True up for make-ready is in progress
 - c. Borrowing meeting with Unibank is scheduled for 9/28.
 - d. Operating income/expenses are beginning to flow
 - e. Reconciliation planned for mid-October

Next meeting Monday, Sept 27 @ 6 PM

Meeting adjourned 7:50 PM