

# TOWN OF PRESQUE ISLE

## Broadband Committee

### Minutes

September 25, 2023, 7:00pm, Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Dave Bogan, Nick Williams, Gary Plouff, Christine Wolter. Absent with Notice: Eric Benn, Paul Specht..  
Also Present: Cathy Logan Weber

Co-Chairman Dave Bogan called the meeting to order at 7: 01pm.

Item 2). The Committee noted that the minutes for the August 21 meeting did not mention the resignation of Philp Schaffner from the Committee. [Upon further review after the September 25 meeting, Philip did not notify Paul of his resignation until August 23, so the minutes do not need correction. The minutes should be approved as written at the October 23 meeting.]

Item 3a). Dave reported that Spectrum Legal still has the draft Grant Contribution and MOU agreements for consideration and approval. There were no updates on Spectrum's progress bringing fiber to the intersection of CTH M and CTH B. There was discussion regarding the application for the loan from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands (BCPL). The Town's current plan is to apply for a loan to cover the initial \$300K payment to Spectrum during 2023 to limit the debt service load. A subsequent loan will be made for the \$900K balance of the Town's commitment.

Item 3b). There have been no meetings of the VCEDC, Spectrum and the other Vilas County Towns. Consequently, there was no update for the Committee.

Item 3c) The website continues to garner more subscribers. The Committee approved the release of a newsletter item to update folks on the progress that Spectrum has been making with bringing fiber to the intersection of CTH M and CTH B.

Item 4). There was further discussion about the resignation of Philip Schaffner and whether a new committee member was needed to replace Philip. By consensus, the Committee agreed to defer adding any committee members at this time. The next Meeting of the Committee was schedule for Monday, October 23, 2023 at 7:00pm via Zoom.

Item 5). On a motion from Nick Williams, seconded by Chris Wolter, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dave Bogan