

# TOWN OF PRESQUE ISLE

## Broadband Committee

### Minutes

January 31, 2022, 7:00pm, Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Dave Bogan, Paul Specht, Nick Williams, Eric Benn, Philip Schaffner, Gary Plouff.  
Absent with Prior Notification: Phillip Schaffner, Christine Wolter. Also Present: Cathy Logan Weber, Gary Owens. Co-Chairmen Paul Specht called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Item 1). A motion was made by Dave Bogan and seconded by Nick Williamw to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2022 meeting of the Broadband Committee. Motion carried.

Item 2). Paul Specht updated the Committee about on-going discussions with Charter Communications and indicated a need to go into closed session to discuss information covered under the Non-Disclosure Agreement between the Town and Charter Communications. It was agreed to go into closed session as the last item for this meeting.

Item 3). Gary Owens presented a worksheet to the Committee that provided a comparison of potential end-customer costs of Lumen, Charter and Starlink when bundling additional available products such as TV, telephone and cell phone service with the companies' respective internet offerings.

Item 4). Nick Williams gave a brief update on project pledges received to date and work being done by both he and Christine to create and maintain a master log of pledges received.

Item 5). The Committee discussed how best, and when, to move forward with campaigns to solicit additional project letters of support and pledges. A preliminary list of potential targeted audiences for these solicitations put together with previously requested input from Committee members was shared with the group for discussion and augmentation. Committee members were asked to review the list and get back to Paul with those businesses and organizations they each would be willing to contact once the campaigns began. Nick Williams and Paul Specht agreed to work on related solicitation letters .

Item 6.) Committee went into closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85(f) for the purpose of "conducting public business with competitive implications" as it relates to matters covered under the Town's Non-Disclosure Agreement with Charter Communications.

Item 7.) Upon coming out of closed session, on a motion from Nick Williams seconded by Eric Benn the meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for February 7, 2022 at 7:00pm via Zoom.

Respectively submitted, Paul Specht.