

MINUTES
Town of New Marlborough Broadband Committee
Wednesday, July 19, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

1. The following Committee members were present:
Steve Klein
Richard Long
Tom Stalker
Owen Wright

constituting a quorum of the members of the Committee; whereupon, Mr. Long called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Minutes of the July 6 and July 13, 2016 meetings were unanimously approved.
3. The Committee conducted an extensive discussion to identify the various issues and questions that need to be resolved in moving forward with a potential turnkey internet solution through a private provider such as Frontier Communications. In addition to questions and clarifications to be sent to Frontier, there are key legal issues to be addressed. The Committee is in regular communication with MBI and the Governor's office as respects the approach to these legal matters.
4. The Town will begin the readiness process with MBI at its next meeting. John Furey will represent MBI as program manager for the readiness process. Members were requested to study the form and guidelines in anticipation of the next meeting. Related to the readiness process and in addition to the items above, the Committee wishes to address with MBI the possibility of starting certain make-ready activities under the aegis of MBI given that the legal issues may have a somewhat lengthy lead time to resolve.
5. The Committee agreed to schedule its next meeting for July 26, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. if new information was available by that date. Alternatively, in the absence of new information, the next meeting will be set for August 2, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.
6. On motion duly made, seconded and with unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas R. Stalker, Secretary