Southern Vermont Communications Union District

Draft Meeting Minutes

July 27, 2022

Town Name	Representative Name	Voting = V Present = P Absent = A	Alternate Name	Voting = V Present = P Absent = A	2 nd Alternate Name	Voting = V Present = P Absent = A
Arlington	Cynthia Browning	А	Jamie Paustian	А		
Bennington	Eric Hatch	V	Ron Dubreuil	А	Beth Hardesty	А
Dorset	Mike Chase	V	Jim Salsgiver	А	Bob Meszaros	А
Landgrove	Jim Swartzentruber	А	Susan Lenox	Α		
Londonderry	John Hankin	V				
Manchester	Terrence Dorsey	V	Kathleen James	Α		
Peru	Ben Foltz	А	Peter Bradford	Α		
Pownal	Caitlin Randall	V	Karlan Eberhardt	Р		
Rupert	Bill Meyer	V	Jed Rubin	Α	Arlene Bentley	Р
Sandgate	Sheila Kearns	V	Betsy Rathbun-Gunn	Α	Logan Weurslin	Р
Shaftsbury	Tim Scoggins	V	Michael Corey	Р		
Sunderland	Andrew McKeever	V				
Winhall	Fred Schwacke	V				
Woodford						

Also present: Jonathan Cooper and Callie Fishburn (BCRC)

1. Call to order

The chair called the meeting to order at 6:05PM.

2. Roll call

Callie Fishburn took role. A quorum of the board was present.

3. Conflict of interest

None

- 4. Additions to or deletions from the agenda [1 V.S.A. § 312]

 Fred Schwacke requested that his previously sent list of questions be addressed as an agenda item. The chair replied that the questions will be addressed under "Other Business" if time allows.
- 5. Review and approval of draft minutes from July 13, 2022

Motion to approve the minutes by Tim Scoggins, seconded by Caitlin Randall. Passed unanimously.

6. Public comments

None

7. Announcements

The full application has been submitted and the CUD will meet with the VCBB on August 8th.

8. CCI Contract Review

The board reviewed the latest version of the CCI contract which includes suggested modifications from the CUD's legal counsel, and the chair took questions and comments.

Eric Hatch introduced a motion accept the Southern VT CUD Broadband Expansion Agreement, also referred to as "the contract" or "master services agreement" with Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services as presented, along with the changes provided by counsel, Primmer Piper. In addition, the language change to specify similar service quality and reliability as other Vermont towns served by Consolidated as well as adding Schedule C and address lists in Schedule A. It is further moved to allow the chair, vice chair, and clerk upon unanimous agreement to make nonmaterial, clarifying edits as needed in consultation with Consolidated. So moved by Tim Scoggins, seconded by Bill Meyer.

Vote was conducted via roll call:

Arlington – absent

Bennington – Y (EH)

Dorset – Y (MC)

Landgrove – absent

Londonderry – Y (JH)

Manchester – Y (TD)

Peru – absent

Pownal – Y (CR)

Rupert – Y (BM)

Sandgate – Y (SK)

Shaftsbury – Y (TS)

Sunderland – absent

Winhall – absent

Woodford – N (FS)

Motion passed 8-1-0

9. Other business

None

Motion to adjourn by Tim Scoggins, seconded by Bill Meyer. Passed unanimously.