



Telecommunications & Connectivity Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

September 21st, 2020 Meeting

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Remote Meeting

Attendees:

1. David Snedeker – Chair of the Board, Northeastern Vermont Development Association
2. Michael Clasen – Deputy State Treasurer
3. Clay Purvis – Director, Connectivity Division, Dept. of Public Service
4. Michael DeHart - Telecommunications & Connectivity Staff, Dept. of Public Service
5. Evan Carlson – NEK CUD
6. Robert T. White - AOT
7. Katherine Sims – NEK Collaborative
8. Corey Chase – Department of Public Service
9. Robert Fish – Dept of Public Service
10. June Tierney – Commissioner, Dept of Public Service

Members of public:

Erika Smith- Consolidated Communications

Jeff Austin – Consolidated Communications

Roger Nishi – WCVT

Michael Birnbaum – Cloud Alliance & Kingdom Fiber

David Healy – CVFiber

Stephen Whitaker -

Item	Item Description	Action By
1.0	Call to Order at 10:08am	Chair Snedeker
2.0	Meeting Minutes 9.17.20 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Corrections: Tierney's comments• Will review at following meeting	Moved: White Second: Sims Tabled
3.0	New Business: Add'l Review of R2 Emergency Connectivity Initiative Members now have access to full proposal documents, will discuss in Executive Session Carlson: would also like to know "what other factors contributed to a project not being	Clay Purvis

	<p>chosen?"</p> <p>Purvis: To discuss details, we'll need to go into executive session. The scoring is a rough guide, but we do also consider technology, availability of voice service, geography, deference to CUD's, etc.</p> <p>Sims: Would echo what Evan and Ken brought up. Additional criteria did not seem completely clear. Would be interested in going into executive session in advance of a vote.</p> <p>Motion: Enter executive session to discuss proposal details and awards from R2 – Carlson</p> <p>Second: Katherine Sims</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous</p> <p>Entered executive session to discuss confidential connectivity initiative proposal details 10:19am Concluded executive session: 10:45am</p> <p>Snedeker: Reminded attendees that the Board entered executive session so that TCAB members could inquire on and discuss specific proposals.</p> <p>Motion: Accept recommendations from Dept from R2 - Carlson</p> <p>Second: Sims</p> <p>Vote: Approved Unanimous, R2 award recommendations are accepted</p>	
4	<p>Public Comment:</p> <p>Stephen Whitaker – Meeting did not enter into executive session lawfully, it's a travesty what this has devolved into.</p>	

	Roger Nishi – Will R2 award notices be announced shortly? Purvis: We will send those this afternoon.	
5	Adjournment 10:54am	Motion: Clasen Second: Sims

Minutes Subject to Approval

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