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Broadband Committee/Task Force

Minot Town Office

Tuesday October 6, 2020, 6:30 pm

Attendees: Colleen Quint, Danielle Loring, Lisa Cesare, Brian Lippold, Kerry Bonney, Matt Sweat, Bill Burke

Meeting Minutes:

We reviewed First Light's proposal on fiber to the home. They will only expand service in the area that they currently support. Their plan would provide service to 156 residents which is a little less than half of our full unserved population of town. Essentially the cost would be split 3 ways by First Light, Connect ME grant and town of Minot at a little over 100K each. Everyone thought this was good progress and even though we do not have grant money in the bag Brian thought that based on the cost per subscriber and what we were asking for this round we had a very high probability of being granted the money. Brian is going to pursue additional information from First Light regarding build out timeline, subscriber pricing and any additional subscriber fees. More to come.

We did attempt to try and compare the GWI proposal to this one and we were not able to. There proposal covered more ground but was at a huge price tag.

No updates from Spectrum.

We are looking to update a letter to be handed out at election day on our current proposal of First Light. Colleen is going to draft and present at next meeting.

There was some good information from Consolidated in regards to the fact that they have some money they are looking to spend to expand their services and that Brian is in conversation with them on how they might be able to support the town of Minot.

We did discuss the budget meeting will be for this committee on Tuesday, October 27 at 6:30 and we will use the First Light proposal to go by.

Next meeting. Tuesday October 20 6:30 zoom and in person

October 22, 10:00 to noon for Connect Me meeting