MINUTES
BROADBAND FEASIBILITY COMMITTEE
FRIDAY JANUARY 6, 2023
REMOTELY VIA ZOOM

11:00 AM

Minutes of the meeting of the East Haddam Broadband Feasibility Committee

1. The meeting was called to order by Craig Mansfield at 11:29 am
    a. **Members Present** Craig Mansfield, Patty Stricker, Wayne Schulz, Tom Sevigny (chair), and Tom Hays
    b. **Also attending:** Linda Zemieniesk

2. Approval of the minutes of the 12-16-2022 meeting

3. The committee discussed the 12/16/2022 draft Broadband Feasibility report from Entrypoint Networks with discussion and some questions
    a. Wayne Schulz - the math per the report seems to suggest up to $50/mo savings, yet the average price paid for Internet in the draft report appears to say $74.xx, and the cost estimate suggests $68.xx (if we estimate a cost of $68 that implies that with the up to $50 savings that most residents currently pay $118 +/-)
    b. Craig - question on whether we have as many businesses in town as shown on the report with feedback that this is probably accurate due to the many work-from-home small companies.
    c. Irene Haines - possibly invite incumbents to a future meeting to discuss their plans for expansion
    d. Tom S - Consider the idea of fostering competition
    e. Irene, we need to be ready with a shovel-ready plan
    f. Wayne - perhaps this Broadband Feasibility Report is presented drawing a comparison to the electricity situation in Connecticut where there is one provider charging ever higher rates.

4. The next meeting is January 13, 2023, at 12:10 pm ET

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