Broadband Implementation Committee

June 7, 2024, 1pm, Zoom

Attendees

Tom Sevigney, Craig Mansfield, Stan Conover, Bruce Harris, Irene Haines

Entry Point Members: Nicole Banyai, Erik Banyai

Meeting called to order at 1:08pm

May 10, 2024 Minutes approved, Motion made Stan, Bruce

Motion to approve the invoice for EH News inserts $782.36, Motion made Craig, second Stan

Mass Mailing

Tom has drafted a mass mailing postcard which he will share with the committee after we adjourn to review. He used a printing company that the Land Trust also uses and asks if we can use the town's non-profit status for mailing fees. Irene says if a town agency has used this printer before they should have the non-profit certificate but if not she can get it to us to get to the printer. The total cost for printing and mailing to 4100 businesses and residences is $1250. We can use the town return address for the mailings per Irene. These will go out later next week. Irene will confirm that Linda Ziemeinieski will get the non-profit certificate to Tom for the printer.

Outreach

Tom has been invited to speak with the Lake Hayward Association Board 6/17/2024 and if they like what he has to present they will invite him back at the end of the month to speak with the larger Association group. He feels this is a final push.

Public Education Support

Tom asks Nicole Banyai if EntryPoint(EP) is planning a meeting to bring all of the committee up to speed with more sophisticated and challenging questions from the community. She feels 30-45 minutes with Jeff Christiansen (EP) should prepare us.

Grant Status

Tom says that the DEEP informed us we had one piece of information missing that required Craig to spend about 12 additional hours collecting and got it off to DEEP within about an hour of

the deadline. The information needed was latitude and longitude for every address in East Haddam.

Website

Nicole(EP) says she will go into the website to confirm the Education Deck that was prepared in the fall is up on the website. She will also double check the Q&A page to confirm it is up to date. She suggests we add the additional Q&A we will be getting from Jeff(EP) in the near future. Also, she would like the committee to write a short blurb about the status of the Grant and the process we went through. Tom says he will draft this.

Next Meeting July 19, 2024, 1pm Zoom (In 2 weeks it is July 5)

Meeting adjourned at 1:22pm