

Here are the notes for the November meeting as approved at the December meeting.

CTC Minutes 11/6/2017

It was determined that a quorum was present at 5:30p

Committee Members present John Lawrence Richard Hoffses, Richard Glidden, Jeremy, and Reuben Mahar were in attendance.

Minutes approved for the 9/11/2017 meeting.

John L made a motion to approve minutes from last meeting. The was seconded by Richard H.

Meeting Activity

Old Business

Live streaming of town meetings was discussed.

The select board had tentatively approved the livestreaming of meetings. This project has been drifting based on some factors out of the CTC control. The current system records meeting for later playback, it cannot livestream on it's own. An upgraded system has been quoted but not purchased. This new system would include higher definition cameras. We need a service provider or a town supported workflow for the livestreaming component.

Reuben Mahar has volunteered to research and provide some education related to the use of Youtube for video streaming and archiving.

Review status of 2017 ConnectME grant for Manktown Rd

No new update on the Manktown Rd project. As of 11/6/2017 it is not clear what is holding that up. John L suggested that this may be due to a delay with LD406? The most recent LD406 hearing was postponed. A status update from LCI is expected before the next meeting.

The remaining unserved areas of Waldoboro were discussed.

Richard Hoffses reported on his continued issue with Fairpoint.

Richard H has registered a complaint registered to FCC for service not being provided on Oct 11. The deadline for response is Friday Nov 10. Nothing received as of 11/6/2017. Richard has received 2 or 3 phone calls from FairPoint saying they are aware of his issues but will not be able to correct it until 2018. Richard is still being charged for 10 x 1 service but often gets MUCH less. Richard has said he will not accept this as an excuse. There is now a new management via consolidated communications. The state advocates office is already aware of this.

LCI Fiber Internet service vs. other providers during power outage

John Lawrence asked about an interruption in internet service for committee members. John's LCI connection was stable throughout the event. No other significant internet outages were reported by committee members.

Digital Literacy Education Plan Alternatives

Conversation was continued related to a digital literacy program.

John talked about a meeting with the Waldoboro Business association. There may be a contact there that can assist with this.

Reuben Mahar explained two applications that benefit from the improved upload speeds offered by the LCI O.P.E.N. product.

Zoom is a popular video conferencing services in use for telehealth.

Dragon Medical One is an application for voice to text dictation that requires a high speed internet connection. This is used by many medical professionals in the area,

John H covered internet utility establishment in Downeast Development corp. This is a public private partnership being built in Calais and Baileyville Maine. This is a "Dark Network". The towns own the fiber and lease access to ISPs who want to provide service. This is like a public utility.

Meeting Adjourned 6:30p 11/6/2017

Respectfully Submitted,
Reuben Mahar
Secretary and Vice Chair, CTC