

Public Utility Service
Friday, March 25, 2022 @ 1:30 PM
Chambers/ Zoom

MINUTES

1:30 PM

Approval of Minutes

Committee Members Present: John Pinard, Melissa During (MS Teams), Joe Magliocca, Greg Reuter (MST), and Eve Ann Schwartz (MST).

Others Present: Cameron Beck (MTS), Bart Bretsch (MTS), Ed Burbank (MTS), Cindy Edick (MTS), Melissa Martel Felton, Samantha Field, Scott Ingmire, Caitlin Keisch (MTS), Chris Lindsey (MTS), Andy Lukasiewicz (MTS), Paul Lutwak (MTS), Lou Anne Randall (MTS), John Regan, Doug Schwitzer (MTS), and Mark Scimone.

Motion by greg reuter to approve January 26 2022 MCPLUS minutes. Second by Joe Magliocca. The motion was Passed.

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Current Business

1. ReConnect Network Engineer RFP-Interview with respondent-NYES

An interview took place for the first portion of this meeting with NYES, an RFP respondent. NYES provided a background and proposal overview.

2. Broadband ReConnect Grant-Update

Andy Lukasiewicz updated the Committee on his previous meeting with the Finance Ways and Means Committee. There was considerable discussion regarding whether or not the County would want to bond this project. The preference is to not bond unless needed. The consensus of both committees is to see where the County books are after closing out 2021 and assess any available fund balances. A spreadsheet will be prepared showing all cash flow and how it works over a long period of time for the Committee to review. The cash flow is significantly better for the project with not bonding.

3. Empire Access Agreement Update

Andy reported having preliminary responses from Empire regarding revenue and that discussions are continuing. There is a meeting on Thursday at 10:00 AM. The details with Empire are getting close to being finalized.

Resolutions:

1. Awarding a Contract for Broadband Engineering Services to YES Michigan PC, DBA New York Engineering Services

Motion by Eve Ann Shwartz to award a contract for broadband engineering services to YES Michigan PC, DBA "New York Engineering Services. Second by greg reuter. The motion was Passed.

Other Committee Business

There is no new business.

Preferred Agenda

It was the consensus of the Committee to allow any resolutions from today's meeting to be added to the preferred agenda. All resolutions were voted on and approved by the Committee.

Next Meeting:

The next scheduled MCPLUS meeting will be Thursday, April 28 at 1:00 PM in the Supervisors' Chambers.

Adjourn

Motion by greg reuter to adjourn. Second by Melissa During. The motion was Passed.