

Shelburne Technology and Cable Advisory Committee

Meeting minutes 10/03/2018 – 6:30 PM Memorial Hall, Shelburne Falls

- Call to Order at 6:30pm
- Present: Mike Duffy, Larry Flaccus, Hugh Knox, Craig Miller, Hawley Waldman
Guest: Christopher Gray
- Assign Craig Miller as note-taker
- Introductions (none needed)
- Minutes from May 10, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.
- Review proposal for fixed wireless service to Shelburne Falls from Christopher Gray, Hilltown Networks.
 - Reviewed 4 page proposal entitled “Roof Access at Memorial Hall for Last-Mile Wireless Network Services”
 - Proposal is to get access to MassBroadband 123 network at Memorial Hall, distribute to customers, as an alternative to currently available services (e.g. Comcast)
 - Requires
 - i. roof-mounted 6 foot pole with 16 inch antenna.
 - ii. 19 inch dish to connect.
 - iii. cable from MB123 closet to outside of building up to roof
 - iv. plans to provide internet and phone service to customers, TV in future
 - v. Access, contract, removal plan, insurance (see proposal for details)
 - Proposal is to get access to MassBroadband 123 network at Memorial Hall, distribute to customers, and give town hall free business class 5mb down/5mb up service.
 - Committee would like to get information on how this service compares to current internet plan for Memorial Hall. Need to talk with town administrator to get details.
- Report on 9/6/2018 Comcast/MBI presentation.
 - Mike Duffy was at the meeting, as was Lt. Governor, VP of Comcast
 - Shelburne had 213 additional customers added (+20%) as a result of the Comcast expansion to serve 96% of town.
 - Head of MBI considers the project done.

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- The proposed expansion of Colrain Fiber Network to Shelburne was discussed.
 - M.D. presented an inter-governmental agreement (IGA) between Alford and West Stockbridge, as a model for Shelburne and Colrain to use.
 - Kevin Fox is the town administrator of Colrain
 - Potential cost to Shelburne is \$85k
 - MD will edit the IGA as a draft for Shelburne and Colrain

- Discussion of updates to Technology & Cable Advisory Committee page of new town website (<https://townofshelburne.com/g/53/Technology--Cable-Advisory-Committee>)

- Discussion of Shelburne Falls designation as a Great Place in America.
 - Meeting is October 18 from 5:30-8:30pm
 - Committee will take no action

- Other topics as necessary (none).

- The next meeting is still to be determined.

- Proposal to adjourn the meeting was unanimously accepted at 8:27pm.