

Lincoln County Broadband Commission Meeting

6:30 PM, Thursday, April 25, 2024

Room 255/257/260, Lincoln County Service Center

801 N. Sales Street Merrill, WI 54452

Join by Phone: 1-252-923-3162 PIN: 683 268 421#

Meeting Link: meet.google.com/cyt-wxgo-nsq

MINUTES

Attendees: Ken Wickham, Gary Hartwig, Brian Arndorfer, Earl Welker, Pat Voermans, Heidi O'Hare, Gordon Sennet, Travis Spoehr, Jennifer Bishop, Renee Krueger, Sue Dierkson, Elsa Duranceau,

1. Call Meeting to Order: 6:30pm
2. Introductions
3. Approve Both February 22 and April 4, 2024 Meeting Minutes
 - Earl Welker motioned to approve. Gary Hartwig seconded. Motion carried
4. Status/update of Lincoln County Broadband Efforts
5. Charter RDOF Update
 - Charter informed us that the Town of Scott should be turned on over the summer of 2024.
 - Ken will invite Todd from Frontier to our next meeting.
6. BEAD Challenge Process/Timeline and Webinars
 - Cannot use the speed test data as part of challenge
 - Individuals cannot challenge. Municipalities are able to challenge on behalf of community members.
 - Can challenge the challenge determination.
 - Challenges due by May 19.
 - 22 May, Antigo – Regional Workshop
7. Outreach
 - Tomahawk Home Show Recap
 - Great success! Excellent teamwork!
 - ~ 100 people stopped by to check their rural addresses to see if they are located in the Charter RDOF project areas.
 - We should write a thank you letter for WJJQ.
 - Future opportunities
 - Sue and Pat are planning to go to ... on May 7
 - Lincoln County Fair
 - Libraries
 - Anchor Institutions
 - Community and Chamber Meetings

8. Approve Lincoln County Broadband Plan
Pat Voermans motions to approve the final plan with an amendment to include a yearly review. Earl seconded. Motion carried.
9. Next Meeting Time/Date
May 23, 2024, 6:30PM
10. Adjourn