

TOWN OF GOSHEN
BROADBAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 19, 2023 – 5:00PM

Held at Goshen Town Hall and by Zoom

PRESENT: Marc McCarthy, Gary Stango Jr, Peter Kujawski (Zoom)

ABSENT: Scott Olson

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Marc McCarthy at 5:01pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Peter Kujawski and seconded by Gary Stango to approve the November 17, 2022 regular meeting minutes. It was voted to accept the motion. Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS: A discussion regarding early evidence of Altice (Optimum) construction crews appearing in Torrington and Litchfield. Several pictures were shown of subcontractor RD COM who appears to be handling the aerial stringing of fiber from the head-end across from DaCapo's and has been situating its fleet of line trucks and crews at the Ocean State JobLot parking lot each morning for the past few weeks.

Marc shared some recent Optimum Fiber marketing being used in NY and should be anticipated one month after fiber is actually strung to a neighborhood.

Marc confirmed the delivery of 100 Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) flyers to town hall as requested/provided by Optimum. Explained the program to the office staff to encourage residents to take one and recommend them to anyone in need. It was underscored the ACP program is not just for cable TV, or internet access but also every telephone company (landline or wireless/cellular) participate in the ACP program as it is a Federal program. New information has not been included on the website.

Marc pointed out that due to a scheduling change the Cable TV Advisory Committee rescheduled their meeting to the same night at which time Esme Lombard would be providing an update. Gary and Marc would participate and report back to the committee should there be any new information disclosed.

Gary explained that availability is best to look on the website to check addresses.

Marc explained continued efforts were made to get Optimum to survey the Camp Coch property in order to get a connection to possibly serve the facility. Gary highlighted options to broadcast Wifi across the entire property including the pavilion if a proper broadband connection existed.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

Meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm



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