

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS
MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Date: January 30, 2017
Time: 1:00pm
Place: Town Hall
Egremont

Present at the table were Chairman Flynn, Vice-Chairman Turner, Selectman Brazie,
Also present were members of the Technology Committee; Laura Allen, John Wells, Marj Wexler,
Jonathan Taylor, Mark Roggen, and on the phone Jeff Lazarus.
Others present as per the attached sign in sheet.

This meeting is audio and visually recorded.

The Town has three options in regards to Broadband: Do nothing, go with the MBI building, or go on its own.

The Town's goals are to get it done as quickly as possible, have 100% coverage, affordability, best deal for taxpayers, and stability of the network.

After discussion it was decided to hold one more meeting of the Technology Committee to get some final questions answered before making a formal recommendation to the Board of Selectmen. The Committee will meet on Thursday, at 4pm.

It was clarified that Fiber Connect will pay for phases 1 & 2 and are asking the town to pay for phases 3 & 4 of their build out.

Attorney Bill Soloman explained the Rules and Regulations of Grant of Location to the meeting. This requires anyone doing any work on the telephone poles in Egremont to apply for a grant of location permit. At this time no one has done this. All abutters get notified. The permit will clarify when the work will be done, the hours of work, safety measures being taken, precautions to protect residents and the towns, and will require the application to prove it is insured. There are standard applications that can be used.

The Technology Committee and the Board of Selectmen voted not to move forward with the MBI build out. This leaves the question of how to get the state construction funds from MBI, and if we will still be eligible to get the design/consultant/engineering funds.

Meeting adjourned at 1:58pm.

Mary Brazie,
Office Administrator

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