

TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Alstead Broadband Committee

Approved Minutes for Meeting of November 25th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Alstead Town Offices, 15 Mechanic Street, Alstead, NH 03602 Conference call: (978) 990-5000, access code 539083#

Google meet: <https://meet.google.com/gzp-ovpr-fyf>

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Gordon Kemp, Jim Howard, Mark Mastrocinque, Chris Reitmann, Alan Kauders via Google Meet.

TOWN STAFF PRESENT: N/A

COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT: Joel McCarty, Ben Duffy-Howard

CALL TO ORDER: Gordon Kemp called the meeting to order at 6:31PM

GUESTS: N/A

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: On a motion from Jim Howard, seconded by Chris Reitmann, the minutes from the November 18th meeting are accepted and approved.

DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS:

- I. Starlink held a news conference. There are no data caps on the beta test. They hope not to have data caps on the final service. Starlink plans to expand the public beta test to the end of January down to a latitude of approximately 30 degrees. Starlink continues to launch satellites. Starlink admits their system will not work well during tropical storms, hurricanes or tornados. The current satellite version cannot be moved. That may be a future capability.
- II. Work on the warrant article is in progress with the Select Board.
- III. Alan Kauders will update the cashflow projection of the user surcharge. Alan is conferring with [Rennelle L. L'Huillier](#).
- IV. Alstead residents can purchase their own yard signs for approximately \$22.
- V. Nothing new on the RFP status. Deadline is December 1st, 2020 at 11:00AM.
- VI. Nothing new to add to the FAQ.
- VII. Public hearing schedule will be firmed up in the near future.

OLD BUSINESS/PREVIOUS ACTION ITEMS:

- I. Satellite update from Jim
- II. Paperwork requirements for bond
- III. RFP update from Gordon
- IV. Voter outreach/Yard Signs – Chris
- V. Anything new for FAQ?
- VI. Public Hearings Schedule

NEW BUSINESS:

INFORMATIONAL:

OTHER ITEMS:

- I. Public Comments: None
- II. Next meeting is Wednesday, December 2nd at 6:30 PM in Municipal Offices.

ACTION ITEMS:

- I. See documentation for [bond counsel checklist](#).
- II. Chris Reitmann is designing and developing yard signs – in progress
- III. Alan Kauders is preparing a monthly cashflow projection of the user surcharge – in progress

On a motion by Jim Howard, seconded by Chris Reitmann, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:49PM.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Mastrocinque

The next meeting of the Broadband Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, December 2nd, 2020 at 6:30PM

These are the official minutes of the November 25th meeting. They are approved.