

Minutes of the Harvard Broadband Committee Meeting August 15, 2016 (Volunteer Government Room)

Committee member Attendees:

- Noyan Kinayman (Chair)
 - Christopher Roy
 - Olivier Beauchemin
 - Jim Dowson (Secretary)
- A quorum was met, having 4 of the required members in attendance.*

Meeting was called to order at 8:15 am

This minutes of the August 5th meeting were unanimously approved.

No public comments were made.

Action items from the previous meeting were reviewed:

- Possible questions to existing MA MLP initiatives (Olivier)
Additional review is required, based upon the discussion.

Discussion of the process steps required for the establishment of an MLP occurred.

- Two public votes are required to affirm the Town's initiation of an MLP
- Initial costs would be limited to the associated Legal costs, in order to enable further
- The Broadband MLP will exist separately, and not be affiliated with a power utility
- The Committee will need to present to the Town, and engage the Town Attorney soon in order to have the MLP vote on the October vote

It is expected that a greater frequency of meetings will be required (weekly) in order to meet the goal of having the initiative approved on the next 2 ballots (October).

The next meetings will be held:

- August 23, 2016 at 7pm (subject to quorum availability)
- August 26, 2016 at 8am

Action Items

- Develop an outline for a brief Board of Selectmen presentation (all)
- Continue review of questions for other communities
- Review content on <https://muninetworks.org/> (all)

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 am

Respectfully submitted, Jim Dowson

APPROVED by unanimous vote at August 24, 2016 HBBC meeting.