



Town of Middlefield Communications Committee

Open meeting: September 15, 2015

Committee members present:

Joe Kearns
Howard Knickerbocker
Steve Harris

Crocker members present:

Bill Stathis
Joshua Levin

Minutes:

Meeting called to order at 11:10 am.

Reviewed and approved minutes from August 28.

Discussed Crocker budgetary proposal for Internet Service and Network Operations:

- "Leverett" pricing available under State Contract ITT-46 (Crocker Cost Table 11a "Municipal MLP Services").
- Monthly subscriber fee for unlimited internet access of \$24.95, including sales and billing costs and 24/7 support & network monitoring.
- Crocker also made an open offer of support for the town's last mile broadband planning.

Minutes of the August 28 meeting approved as read.

Duane gave John Savery the new Eversource contact information re the new electrical service to the town hall.

Emergency communications upgrade:

- Howard outlined the next steps for the town's emergency communications upgrade.
- A STM warrant article was drafted and approved for submission to the Selectboard.

Discussed hybrid fiber/wireless broadband planning:

- Interisle will provide a provisional implementation plan for Middlefield, drawing on the results of the current Royalston pilot.
- The committee will follow up with MBI should additional testing be required for Middlefield.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.