



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Dane County Broadband Task Force

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Thursday, November 3, 2022

9:00 AM This is a Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at City-County  
Building, Room 354, 210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd;  
Attend virtually via Zoom.

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See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public  
testimony.

#### A. Call To Order

*Staff present: Lauren Kuhl, Alex Andros, Sharon Lezberg*  
*Others present: Steve Putt and AECOM*

The meeting was called to order by Ratcliff at 9:01 am.

- Present** 9 - KATE MCGINNITY, TODD VIOLANTE, MELISSA RATCLIFF, BOB WIPPERFURTH,  
DEANA ZENTNER, JOYCE TIKALSKY, PETER WEIL, JEFF GLAZER, and SARAH  
EDGERTON
- Excused** 4 - RENEE LAUBER, BILL DICKMEYER, ANDREW HOYOS, and SHAWN BELLING
- Absent** 2 - MICHELLE JENSEN, and SARAH GHEE

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2022](#) Minutes of the October 6, 2022 Dane County Broadband Task Force  
[MIN-385](#) Meeting

**Attachments:** [2022 MIN-385](#)

A motion was made by WIPPERFURTH, seconded by GLAZER, that the Minutes be  
approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

#### C. Action Items

#### D. Presentations

#### E. Reports to Committee

1. Report out on Internet for All conference

*Glazer provided an overview of the Internet for All Conference*

*Themes: Practicality, digital equity and inclusion, infrastructure to think about – grant funding including BEADS Act - \$42 billion available for infrastructure nationally – reality is that Wisconsin will receive less than a \$1 billion, when you break it down by county it's going to be a fraction of the infrastructure costs*

*Additional staff and task force members provided their takeaways from the conference.*

*Discussion of what MUFN is able to provide in terms of ability to provide.*

[2022](#)  
[RPT-475](#)

Report out on Internet for All conference

**Attachments:** [Digital Equity Info Sheet](#)  
[Internet For All Ways to Get Involved Local Govs](#)

2. Update from AECOM

*Steve Putt from AECOM provided an update on what they are working on*

3. Broadband related budget amendment

[2022](#)  
[RPT-476](#)

Broadband related budget amendment

**Attachments:** [ZLR O-1](#)

*Alex Andros provided an overview of the amendment*

*Edgerton noted the City of Madison will also have a broadband related position and noted they could work together*

4. Update on survey responses

*Sharon Lezberg provided an update on the survey responses*

5. Visioning and planning for task force recommendation - Affordable Connectivity Program

*Sharon Lezberg facilitated discussion around visioning for Affordable Connectivity Program*

*Tikalsky provided an overview of the work she is doing in Stoughton, suggested that a Coordinator could make it a project to develop materials to distribute*

*Edgerton provided an overview of how the City is navigating the affordable connectivity program – Should contact with DaneNet about hurdles that they are experiencing  
Glazer noted that the County should have an understanding of which communities need the most support, perhaps seniors are receiving support, but who is not getting support – Coordinator could help put this together*

**F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*December 1, 9:00am – hybrid meeting*

**G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**

**H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law**

**I. Adjourn**

**A motion was made by GLAZER, seconded by MCGINNITY, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Respectfully submitted by Lauren Kuhl, pending Task Force approval**