



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Dane County Broadband Task Force

Thursday, August 3, 2023

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.

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

A. Call To Order

Others Present: Sharon Lezberg, Lauren Kuhl, Josh Schroeder, Jaron McCallum

*Glazer introduced the new broadband communicator Jaron McCallum who will be
starting on August 21st.*

Chair Ratcliff called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Dickmeyer joined at 9:10 AM.

Glazer left at 9:43 AM.

Cass Hill attending on behalf of Sarah Edgerton

Majid Allan attending on behalf of Todd Violante

Present 9 - KATE MCGINNITY, RENEE LAUBER, MELISSA RATCLIFF, BOB
WIPPERFURTH, BILL DICKMEYER, DEANA ZENTNER, PETER WEIL, JEFF
GLAZER, and DAVID DIGIOVANNI

Excused 1 - JOYCE TIKALSKY

Absent 3 - MICHELLE JENSEN, ANDREW HOYOS, and SARAH GHEE

B. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2023
MIN-211](#) Minutes of the June 1, 2023 Dane County Broadband Task Force
meeting

Attachments: [2023 MIN-211](#)

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. [2023 RPT-210](#) Discussion, review, and editing of the Draft AECOM Engineering Assessment Report

Attachments: [DRAFT AECOM Report](#)

Glazer introduced AECOM draft report, and discussed the AECOM contract and the report requirements. Conversation ensured about the draft report, and its' two major categories mapping and analysis.

Task Force members discussed shortfalls of the report and additional recommendations to improve report.

Updated draft report must be submitted no later than August 25th for review of the draft and for staff to post the draft to the next meeting agenda.

2. Updates

Updates provided by Majid Allan.

a. Affordable Connectivity Program - Position description for LTEs created, but no LTEs hired.

b. BEAD Planning - \$20,000 formula funding provided by the stat and a BEAD plan must be submitted in early 2025.

c. Reminder of PSC Expansion Grant opening August 14, 2023 - Grant expansion opening in a couple of weeks, but there is little information available on the PSC website. Question posed to Task Force of what projects can be facilitated during this round of grants?

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting of the Dane County Broadband Task Force will be on Thursday, September 7th, 2023 at 9:00 AM in a hybrid format

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by ALLAN, seconded by DIGIOVANNI, that the be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:57 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Josh Schroeder, pending Task Force approval.