



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Dane County Broadband Task Force

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Wednesday, August 7, 2024

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

*Others Present: Cass Hill, Jaron McCallum, and Lauren Kuhl*

Chair Glazer called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

**Present** 8 - BOB WIPPERFURTH, JEFF GLAZER, SARAH EDGERTON, DON POSTLER,  
RANDY UDELL, JOHN VAN Ooyen, ADAM RASCHKA, and TODD VIOLANTE

**Absent** 1 - RENEE LAUBER

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2024](#)  
[MIN-153](#)

Minutes of the June 26th Dane County Broadband Task Force Meeting

**Attachments:** [2024 MIN-153](#)

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

#### C. Action Items

#### D. Presentations

#### E. Reports to Committee

1. Broadband Coordinator Updates

**a. BEAD (Broadband, Equity, Access, and Deployment) Program Local Endorsement Process**

*Broadband Coordinator Jaron McCallum provided an update.*

*Wisconsin's initial proposals were approved by the federal government (NTIA). Can now subgrant funds as of July 29th date, kicking off a 365 days to subgrant. Applicants have a 60 day window to submit LOI, which is October 1. Will provide information as to who is interested, which will provide Broadband Coordinator with information regarding public-private partnerships.*

*Raschka notes that information that will be clear is who is not interested, Van Ooyen noted that there won't be much information to provide clarity in the LOI.*

*Violante inquired about what the requirements are included in completing the LOI. McCallum indicated in his review there is significant information needed. Raschka noted there are 63 questions and 9 uploads.*

*McCallum provided an overview of the scoring for the BEAD application including the local endorsement and local engagement which is 12 points.*

*McCallum believes that a county resolution is the best option to provide a local endorsement. Jaron indicated that he and other counties are asking for clarity around what should be included in the resolution.*

*McCallum has been thinking about how best to communicate the information with municipalities. He's thinking a one page synopsis regarding the requirements and where municipalities may be involved.*

*Udell asked for Supervisors to be included when the letter goes out because they can be a contact with the municipalities as well.*

*Glazer suggested to invite local leaders to October meeting to share information about BEAD to include community members and ISP's to do a Q&A.*

*Should have some standards for endorsement from County and how to work through endorsements that do not have county support. McCallum indicated that some counties have indicated they will endorse all projects.*

*Wipperfurth indicated the DCCVA does a weekly communication and have meetings every other month so can get information about pretty quickly.*

*Wipperfurth shared caution that it sounds like the BEAD program is going to be pretty difficult and that the group should be transparent about the challenges of the program.*

*Raschka indicated the window for application opens on day 40.*

**b. BEAD Map Walkthrough**

*McCallum will share the link for the map for the PSC BEAD Challenge map*

*McCallum provided an overview of the PSC BEAD challenge map.*

*Discussion ensued regarding the application process and what is needed in the resolution for local endorsement.*

- c. [2024 RPT-194](#) 2024 Governor's Task Force on Broadband Report

Attachments: [2024 Report](#)

*McCallum indicated that the task force released their 4th report on their findings, recommendations, and achievements with the Governor's Office and legislature as target audience. It provides a nice overview of where the state is at with broadband.*

**d. Case Studies and Communication with Broadband Coordinator**

*County residents had concerns about restoration, reach out to McCallum who will convey this to the providers that he knows to get an update on the projects.*

*Provider looking at area in county that required shoreland permitting, if there are instances that a provider is having an issue with permitting, reach out to Jaron and he can try to help connect with the correct people.*

**2. Updates/Comments from Task Force Members**

**F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*The next meeting will be on October 9th at 9:00am in a hybrid format.*

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

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

**I. Adjourn**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lauren Kuhl, pending Task Force approval