



WiredWest Board of Directors Meeting

July 26, 2014, 9:30 AM

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 9:40 AM

EC members present: Monica Webb, Jim Drawe, Steve Nelson, Becky Torres, Glenn Cardinal, and Executive Director, David Epstein.

23 WiredWest Member towns, which represented a quorum, were present.

May 17th minutes approved by the BOD

IT Bond Bill update is that the \$50 million has remained intact. Signing is expected within two weeks. WiredWest is working to assure that the MBI funds are used most efficiently, as a grant program.

MBI has stated that they will begin meeting with each unserved and partially served towns to gather data. The EC recommended that each town's delegate be present and or an EC member be present during those meetings.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the new town membership vote for Princeton. A written vote was taken but did not result in a majority of towns voting in favor, with only 23 towns represented.

Executive Committee Members, Jim Drawe, and Steve Nelson were voted in for new terms in their respective roles on the Executive Committee.

WiredWest's executive director, David Epstein, explained that time was an issue that would not allow him to adequately perform duties as Executive Director. David did state that he would stay on as a non-paid consultant as needed.

Board of Directors meeting adjourned to go into a "Business meeting" to discuss our financial modelling and strategy.

Board of Directors meeting resumed with meeting agenda.

It was requested by the delegates, to receive updates to deliver to their individual towns before the towns meet with MBI. It was agreed that info would be forthcoming.

The "First" reading of proposed "By-Law," changes were read by Governance Chair, Steve Nelson. The proposed changes will be voted on at the next BOD meeting in September.

Committee reports:

ISP: George propane coming on line soon.

Cable towns: continue to press for build-out costs from Comcast.

Governance: Covered earlier in this meeting.

Finance: Jim Drawe presented WW's Balance sheet.

Town Liaison: Big project underway for transferring Database.

Next scheduled BOD meeting September 3rd, 2014, Northampton, 7 PM, followed by a BOD meeting in October, in Becket, Ma. at 9:30 AM

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM