

TOWN OF BEDFORD
October 18, 2019
BEDFORD TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Bedford Telecommunications Committee was held on Friday, October 18, 2019 at the Bedford Meeting Room, 10 Meetinghouse Road, Bedford, NH. Present were: Bill Duschatko (Chairman/Town Council Rep), Kathleen Bemiss, Denise Ricciardi, Chris Swiniarski, and David Tuttle. Also present: Rick Sawyer, Town Manager, and Rebecca Hebert, Planning Director.

Chairman Duschatko called the meeting to order at 11:36 a.m.

Mr. Tuttle made a motion to approve the minutes of September 19, 2019. Seconded by Mr. Swiniarski. Approved 3-0-2 with Mrs. Bemiss and Mrs. Ricciardi abstaining.

Mrs. Ricciardi made a motion to approve the minutes of July 18, 2019. Seconded by Mr. Swiniarski. Approved 3-0-2 with Mrs. Bemiss and Mr. Swiniarski abstaining.

Old Business

- Mrs. Hebert stepped the committee through the draft right of way ordinance. Mr. Swiniarski raised concerns that many aspects of the draft ordinance would not be in accordance with the current standing FCC Order regarding wireless communications and could cost the town in terms time and money defending it if implemented as written. Mrs. Ricciardi and Mrs. Hebert both indicated that the ordinance had been reviewed by legal counsel and was similar to other ordinances that have been adopted across the country. Members of the committee asked questions and discussed all sections of the ordinance and it was agreed that everyone would review the FCC Order and the draft ordinance and return comments to Chairman Duschatko by November 1, 2019.
- Councilor Duschatko indicated that he hoped the survey would be ready to be released by November 1st and was looking for help from the committee with advertising and sharing the link to the survey when it is ready. The intent is to have the survey available for approximately 60 days or through the end of the year.

New Business

Chairman Duschatko noted that the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Swiniarski to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Approved 5-0 at 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Sawyer, Town Manager