



Page County Broadband Authority					
January 17, 2017 - Minutes					
	Authority Members		Others Present		Citizens
✓	Chairman Bill Shuler	✓	Brandon Davis	✓	Mike Uram
✓	Vice Chair Bernie Miller	✓	James Funkhouser	✓	Richard Coston
✓	Travis Clark			✓	Gary Patterson
✓	Ryanne Hodson				
✓	Ron Keyser		Media		
✓	Harry Louderback				

Call to Order: Chairman Shuler called the meeting to order on January 17, 2017, in the Board Room of the Page Healthcare Medical Office Building in Luray, VA.

Approval of the Agenda: Chairman Shuler asked for a motion to approve the draft agenda. With the shift of the public hearing to the top of the agenda, Mr. Keyser made a motion to approve the amended agenda and it was seconded by Mr. Clark. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing: 2017 Network Pricing for Middle Mile Network
 Chairman Shuler opened the public hearing and there were three members of the public in attendance: Mr. Mike Uram, Mr. Richard Coston and Mr. Gary Patterson. Mr. Uram inquired if the install and equipment fee were included in the rate structure. Chairman Shuler indicated that the Authority is a middle mile provider and directed his inquiry to the service provider, Shentel. Mr. Coston’s comment related to quality of service and he was also referred to Shentel. Mr. Patterson indicated that his issue would also be one for Shentel. Mr. Funkhouser from Shentel stated that he would talk with them after the Authority meeting was adjourned.

With no other speakers present, Chairman Shuler closed the public hearing.

Approval of the Minutes: Chairman Shuler asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 20, 2016, meeting. Mr. Louderback made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and it was seconded by Mr. Keyser. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business Items: None

New Business Items

FY16 Consolidated Annual Financial Report: The auditor’s Draft Year Ended June 30, 2016 Financial Report has been submitted to the Authority. Because Mr. Clark has not had a chance to review it,

members decided to postpone approval until the next regular meeting.

Reports

Quarterly Financial Report: Mr. Davis presented the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual, through December 31, 2016.

Review and Approval of Accounts Payable: Mr. Davis presented the accounts payable. Mr. Keyser made a motion to approve payment of NSVRC Invoices 940-2017 for \$3,111.31 and 986-2017 for \$995.20 for administrative services, Reed & Reed Invoice 32583 for \$70.00 for legal services, Robinson Farmer Cox Assoc. Invoice 54889 for \$2550.00 for audit services and \$200.00 per member for Q2 Board stipends totaling \$1200, for a disbursements total of \$7,926.51. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clark and carried by roll call vote:

Mr. Keyser – Aye
Ms. Hodson – Aye
Mr. Miller – Aye
Mr. Louderback – Aye
Mr. Clark – Aye
Chairman Shuler – Aye

2017 Proposed Rates – Chairman Shuler asked for a motion adopting the 2017 rate structure as proposed. So moved by Mr. Keyser and seconded by Mr. Miller. The motion carried by roll call vote with the abstention of Mr. Clark.

Mr. Keyser – Aye
Ms. Hodson – Aye
Mr. Miller – Aye
Mr. Louderback – Aye
Mr. Clark – Abstain
Chairman Shuler – Aye

Chairman Shuler noted that Mr. Clark abstained in order to avoid any potential conflict of interest because his business is a receiver of broadband service.

Authority Member Comments

Mr. Keyser suggested the possibility of changing the date or time of regular meetings because of a conflict for Mr. Clark. After discussion, it was decided to change the meeting time to 3:00 instead of 4:00.

After discussion regarding some inaccurate and confusing information contained in a recent *Page News and Courier* article, members decided that a clarification response was not necessary at this time.

Mr. Miller asked if members thought there was any need to respond to communications received regarding proposed legislation that would impact municipal broadband rights. After discussion, it was decided that he and Mr. Keyser would research the issue and report at the next regular meeting.

It was determined that the next meeting date will be April 11th at 3:00.

With no other business, Chairman Shuler adjourned the meeting.

Brandon Davis, Secretary