

Kenosha County Broadband Advisory Committee
July 13, 2023, meeting minutes

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman John Holloway, Supervisor Brian Bashaw, Margaret Hefner, Kevin Meagher, Kris Keckler, Christine Anderson (via Teams), Jack Musha, Suresh Chalasani (joined in progress), Michael Marchuk

COUNTY STAFF PRESENT: Matt Collins, Shawn Smith, Scott Schutze, Angie Becker, Patty Merrill, Joe Potente

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Susan Crane, Randy Kerkman, Jason Peters, Marty McGinley, Jeff Robshaw, Mike Ulicki, Jim Zehner

MEETING LOCATION: Kenosha County Center, Hearing Room

1: Call to Order: Chairman John Holloway called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

2: Public Comments: There were no public comments offered.

3: Approve Previous Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Margaret Hefner, seconded by Supervisor Bashaw, to approve the June 22 meeting minutes. Motion carried — all voted aye.

4: Presentation by Midwest Fiber Networks: Presentation delivered by Midwest Fiber Partner/Owner Nik Ivancevic.

5: Review for Recommendations: Proposals on Wi-Fi and Security Camera Solutions in County Parks: CIO Shawn Smith presented proposals and recommendations for installations of fiber and security enhancements at Kemper Center/Anderson Arts Center, Silver Lake Park and Old Settlers Park. The total recommended investment is \$378,000 (including \$60,000 for Kemper Center, \$185,000 for Silver Lake Park and \$50,000 for Old Settlers Park, plus \$58,000 for video camera server enhancements and \$25,000 for cameras at Kenosha County Veterans Memorial Park). Supervisor Bashaw stated that the risk/value of these projects come out as a wash. Supervisor Bashaw made a motion, seconded by Kris Keckler, to recommend to the County Executive to proceed with all three projects plus the previously stated additional enhancements. Motion seconded by Kris Keckler, who stated he believes all of these projects are high-quality uses of ARPA funds and are of benefit to the community Motion carried — all voted aye.

6: Presentation of Additional Opportunities for ARPA funding/formation of workgroups: Chairman Holloway asked that Committee members consider their interest/availability to serve

on Committee workgroups, and that the next meeting include an agenda item to discuss this in greater detail.

7: Adjournment: Motion by Kris Keckler, seconded by Supervisor Bashaw. Motion carried — all voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Joe Potente, Kenosha County Communications Manager