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Minutes for Meeting July 15, 2019

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Meeting Convened at 7:03 PM at the Town Office.

Present were Phil Motta (chair), John Bonell (secretary), Craig Clark, Tim Wessels, and Karl Pruter (BOS). Guests Holly Koski also in attendance.

Phil brought up the status of the Request For Information (RFI) that was sent out the end of May. Discussion continued on the subject of New Hampshire Senate Bill 170 and another recent bill, SB 103, regarding town arrangements with companies to provide local broadband Internet service. There is information about the Town of Chesterfield's progress in this process on their website. Tim has been keeping track of this.

Phil inquired about the status of requesting to the Select Board a lease of computers as apposed to an outright purchase, as there are not currently funds to do the latter. Karl will follow up.

Karl: The Select Board has decided to use Umbra IT to fulfill the contract with Spaulding Hill. Karl hopes the Select Board lives up to its commitment to upgrade old equipment in a timely manner so that Umbra IT will be motivated to keep us on as a client.

Phil responded to inquiries about WiVally's website that suggested that their service would be expanding in Rindge. Their website is old, and they have not updated it to indicate that they are not anticipating expansion.

Further discussion continued regarding Consolidated Communications and their not following through on service commitments, such as not sending out trucks when promised.

Next month's agenda will include the status Request For Information and Request for Proposal as well as the leasing of computers.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59

Next Meeting is Monday, August 19, 2019 at 7:00 PM

John Bonell, Secretary