

AGENDA

BROADBAND COMMITTEE THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2021 ONLINE INTERACTIVE BY ZOOM 6:30 p.m.

1. Approval of minutes of prior meetings
2. Status recap re LCI
3. Status recap re Midcoast Internet Coalition
4. Discussion of pros and cons of each of the alternatives, and next steps
5. Discussion of request to Select Board to approve \$5K to fund Union participation in Coalition feasibility study.
(Background: Following our discussion at the Committee meeting on May 12th , the Select Board approved \$5K to fund Union’s portion of the LCI engineering study aimed at scoping and costing a buildout of the LCI fiber network to cover the entire town, plus connections. We have since been informed by the Coalition that Union can be included in the Coalition’s feasibility study for the regional network. Union’s share of the cost is \$5K.)
6. Additional priorities
 - Discussion of how to conduct an outreach to the citizens to inform them of the Committee’s goals and activities, and the Town’s options. How do we get this started?
 - Discussion of how to estimate the “take rate” (= likely number of sign-ups for fiber service), for use with either alternative. How do we get this started?
7. Other business
 - Future meetings: in-person, or Zoom?
(Background: Under new State guidelines, elected boards and committees need to return to in-person meetings as of June 15th; other committees (like us) have a choice. What’s our preference?)
 - Date of next meeting
 - Any other business
8. Adjourn