

Mathews Broadband Advisory Board

Monday, 29 July 2019, 10:00 AM Mathews Memorial Library

Amy Dubois, Liaison BOS; Judy Rowe, Interim Chair; Nancy Welch,, Chuck Huntley, Bill Vrooman, Buzz Lambert, stakeholder

Stakeholders: Wyatt Hutson, Emily Allen, Christine Hughes, Pearl Foster, Dee Russell, Sheriff Mark Barrick

Present by phone: Rob Quartel

Not present: Greg Lewis

Minutes

No Update from County Staff

Introduction of Wyatt Hutson, Emily Allen, Christine Hughes, Pearl Foster and Dee Russell

Emailed minutes from 15 July meeting approved as corrected

Old Business

Determined that meeting times needed to alternate with morning and evening. Next meeting will be at 7:00 PM, 9 September 2019, at the Mathews Volunteer Rescue Squad Building.

Report of help offered from Chuck Kirby, CiT, to help with planning.

No report on Peach Point Road possible VATI Grant

Completing stakeholder categories. Several have said they cannot serve: two of those targeted as voting members. Making sure that voting members are diverse, Judy will reach out to others to fill in the gaps.

New Business

Caroline Oxley is looking for guidance from the group on setting up the website for this board. She is collecting contact information from the voting core group. Numerous speed tests are available. Chuck, Bill and Greg were asked to determine which one would be the best to put on the site.

Survey

Types of service need to be clarified for the survey

Select a Speed Test that will give us the most accurate picture

Distribution and collection help:

4H; VA TECH; Mathews Extension Agent (Rachel Winston)

Meals on Wheels; Triad (Laura Matthews)

Potential Projects: our stake holders will begin to network tonight at the Meet and Greet ultimately describing and defining potential projects.

RFI: many out there; Commonwealth Connect new website to launch on Monday. We will wait for a Virginia model.

Adjourned