

Gogebic Range Broadband Committee
May 30, 2018 meeting notes

McKindles opened the meeting in the Iron County Board Room at 12:00 noon.

Participants: Norm McKindles (primary/secondary education), Brandon Yuchasz (GogebicRange.net), Amy Nosal (Iron County Extension), Mike Shouldice (Mercer resident), Dean Gustafson (Mercer resident), and Opal Roberts (Iron Co WI Supervisor).

Gogebic County update:

Gogebic County survey: no one was present to report on the progress of the survey.

Carnegie Library initiative: this project is still waiting on the development of hardware which may be in production by June.

Mt Zion Tower: construction starts next week.

Iron County update:

June 2018 PSC Grant Application: One piece of the application will be to request the remainder of the funds that were not included in the last grant we received. Brandon had been given permission to start construction even though we do not have all the funds. He is assured we will receive the funds in the June grant cycle. There will be a meeting on June 4th at 11:00 am at Sharon's Coffee Company to decide what will be included in the other piece of the grant application.

One of the major questions is where does all this fit in with the tower project Bug Tussel Wireless will be doing for AT&T. There was a long discussion on possible Bug Tussel objectives.

Community Resources:

Amy Nosal reported that the new felivelife.org Gogebic Iron Range Community Calendar is online. Amy handed out a flyer advertising the new site. The area covered is from Bessemer to Mercer. At present the site is focusing heavily on area events. Hopefully this will be a one stop shop for everything that is going on around us. It was suggested that in the future local points of interest might also be included.

The meeting with Bug Tussel Wireless of Green Bay was held May 2nd at noon in the Iron County boardroom. Yuchasz had a long conversation with the company representative. He has heard nothing from them since then.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday June 27th 2018 at noon in the Iron County boardroom.

Meeting adjourned at 12:58 pm.

Submitted by Opal Roberts