

Leyden Broadband Committee Meeting
Minutes of Meeting with MBI's Bill Ennen
June 16, 2016

Committee member present: Bob Anson, David Curtis, Lance Fritz, Bob Ryan, and Al Woodhull.

Others Present: Jeff Neipp

The meeting began at 7 pm.

Bill Ennen has recently been named as MBI's "Last Mile implementation liaison" by the Baker Administration. At our request, he was here to tell us about the recent changes within MBI and to explain the 21-day "Town Readiness Evaluation" that MBI will conduct to determine whether Leyden is ready to implement and be funded.

Bill gave us an overview of the changes made May 10th to MBI which essentially allowed the Baker Administration to take over the MBI Board with the appointment of Peter Larkin as the new Board Chair and head of MBI..

Bill explained that to initiate the Readiness Evaluation we first have to submit a "Readiness Request Form" (basically an application) and once this is done, a 21-day evaluation period will be scheduled with the Town. The Committee felt we were more than ready to proceed and as such the Readiness Request Form was executed by Jeff Neipp and sent the next morning to MBI.

When questioned about Active Ethernet (AE), Bill said that MBI's projected costs were calculated on a GPON-based network and if Leyden were to choose AE, there would be a 15-25% up charge.

Bill strongly recommended that Leyden decide where the MLP's hut would be built by the time the evaluation process begins. He thought hut size would be approximately 12ft. by 15ft.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Ryan, Chair