

## **Park County Broadband Advisory Board Minutes**

Date/Time: May 14, 2018, 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Location: Fairplay Colorado Community Center  
880 Bogue Street

### 1. Park County DOLA Grant Updates

#### a. Bailey/Shawnee Community Center

In Bailey—construction is complete—CNF, both fire stations, headed to DCES last Friday. Working with JKL to fix damage that occurred during installation. Those issues have been identified and are being addressed. This week box for Shawnee Community center should come in this week.

#### b. Alma and Fairplay Broadband

Zebulon: first week of June road will be cleared for work to be done. Per Mark Ray, road is already cleared and Mark will go up this week. Foundation will be dug soon and then can be poured. Excel will put in transformer at base and County will put in .9 mile electric up—June or July. Suggestion is 400-600 amps (regular request would be 200) Process will be specs, ordering materials, going through application process with Excel that may take 4-6 wks out, possibly  
Per Mike Brazell—possibility of groundbreaking ceremony; in the next couple of weeks. Mark and Andrew will be going up to inspect site—Friday; tentatively plan for after next month's meeting  
After Zebulon tower is constructed, there will be link to Alma mine—Mark Ray's link has been up for a couple months. Mark is installing three customers this week. Test tower up on County parking area for testing, working to address coverage around the turn. Will be sending out a blast to Placer Valley residents to let them know phase one is operational—will be better when Zebulon is complete. RIS.net has an application form for further info to move forward with Placer Valley.

#### c. Fairplay Fiber and Mosquito Pass

Park County buildings being lit up—Waclaw had a download that exceeded expectations.

Fiber hanging near apts on Castello will be taken care of in next 10 days to 2 wks

Fairplay DOLA ready to close out—Bailey DOLA not yet

[RE-1, Platte Canyon, will be good to go July 1 (will be testing around mid-June)]

2. Carrier updates (Century Link; South Park Telephone; Eagle Net/Zayo; ComNet; Verizon; CTN; High Country Internet; Affiniti, Neteo; T-Mobile; others)

Per John Carr—saw article out of New Mexico indicating that CenturyLink is getting out of residential internet and telephone

3. Update re: CDOT fiber build (based on webinar info if possible)  
Colorado Broadband Office-Brian Shepherd is teaming up with CDOT-Bob Fifer for long-term strategic plan for telecommunications infrastructure: 3 objectives
  - 1) Identify existing assets owned and managed by the state
  - 2) look at future demand drivers re: additional infrastructure is needed
  - 3) develop mechanisms to support the investment necessary to deploy new infrastructure

4. Other items? (Vendors and public welcome to contribute)

Alex is putting together a municipal plan for Lake George to connect anchor institutions; he will get that plan to us in the next month or so. There is a public health office that may allow for getting some USAC funding.

Commissioner Mark Dowaliby had previously interest in shoulders for the road or bike path from Alma up toward Breck—per Andrew, the cost was prohibitive. This was mentioned in hopes of sharing trench space. Per Mike Brazell, presentation from CDOT indicated that whenever they are trenching they will be more open to others accessing for conduit.

Mike Brazell: has done 2 presentations re: LID. This is a financial issue—requires participation financially from residents. When there is formation of a LID, there is concern for those in the LID area who do not want to participate. Four companies responded to RFI: SPT, ALLO, CIC, Foresight. Interest by providers in internet seems to have been increased by improved view of business model that extends planning out 5-30 years instead of 3-5 year planning. If HOAs can take on debt, rather than the LID process. eg: Ranch of the Rockies: 1400 parcels, 400 homes with HOA that can move forward with 51% vote. Ownership is negotiable between group (HOA) and the ISP. The big take away from the RFIs is that there has to be a financial commitment from the residents. Mike Brazell has one more presentation in Bailey at DCES this Saturday. Next step after that will be a survey from a professional surveyor to maximize effectiveness of questions for the 4500 residents in Bailey area. This will happen across summer.

Basically, an ISP will come in with capital that then requires residents to come up with the money to move forward. ISPs can go through CO Bank for rural projects. Still need to come

Three models: LID, HOAs, and co-ops

Who is going to Mountain Connect: BJ, Christopher, and Alex and Mark Ray attending

Broadband Deployment Board will be meeting for the next couple months to adjust procedures and qualifiers for the 2018 grant cycle. Projects will be due June-ish and funding goes to providers for projects that are shovel-ready.

Pricing: non-county buildings recommendations for costs—a meeting for this will happen right after this meeting.

Placer Valley applied for the \$5,000 match for engineering study—Mark Ray put up the match

**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, June 11, 2018**

**Attendees:**

Andrew Zimmerman  
Mark Ray  
Waclaw Nieradka  
Dale Tuggle  
Lou Gonzales  
Mike Brazell  
Pam Hunt  
Randy Hunt  
Annie Lindsay  
Ron Rose  
BJ North  
Pat Shepard  
John Carr

Respectfully submitted,  
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PCBAB Secretary