

# PARK COUNTY BROADBAND ADVISORY BOARD

## Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2021

Attendees:            John Carr  
                              Shea McClure  
                              Bill Boles  
                              Kim Burton  
                              Amy Mitchell, Park County Commissioner  
                              Chris Byram (by phone)  
                              Alex Telthorst (by phone)  
                              Lou Gonzalez (by phone)

Next meeting:        Monday, March 8, 2020, 10-12am, Fairplay Community Center, 880 Bogue St,  
                              Fairplay, CO 80440

### 1. Announcements

n/a

### 2. Discussion

➤ John

- Zebulon → no updates. Has not heard from RIS (Rural Internet Service) after repeated attempts to contact them. Need assistance contacting Ken Shwinehart or Mark Wray. Amy will contact Tom Eisenman to follow-up

➤ Chris

- Lake George → Communications Module was installed at the library and secured to the foundation. The electrician will arrive next week. Early to mid-April, they will dig trenches for the fiber. This should be operational at that time. Target July 1<sup>st</sup> for service availability. The library will be connected first, then other sites. The firewalls are already up.

Lake George Broadband Shelter Placing



- Bailey Health → They are waiting for the ground to thaw to lay fiber. Electrical work will be done at the same time.

➤ Alex

- At the county buildings there are a ton of fiber left for business and residential. If the businesses are interested in service, they need to find a private provider to work with the county to hook up the last mile.

This was the conclusion of the formal meeting

➤ John

- As an aside, John explained to Amy the current projects in Woodside, Mtn View Lakes and Burland. Grants have and will be resubmitted to the Broadband Deployment Board. If that falls through, South Park Telephone can look at possible state funds or the Department of Agriculture Grants.
- There was discussion of the past role of the Broadband Advisory Board and it's future. Amy will look at our resolutions and see what we can do to perhaps expand the scope of the board.
- One idea is to work with communities to get them information about Broadband and mobilize neighborhoods to work with the providers.
- Kim will take a look at the county web page and see if we can generate ideas for better resources for the public.

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- Shea suggested a web site or social media pages. Kim can write content if this is approved. We need to check and see if this is allowed.