



## **BROADWATER COUNTY BROADBAND BOARD MINUTES**

*Vic Sample; Chair ~ Roger Flynn; Vice-Chair ~ Joe Gill ~ Spencer Sellay ~  
Adam Six  
Lindsey Richtmyer; Commission Liaison ~ Melinda Banks; Admin/Contact*

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**Date: Thursday, September 7th, 2023**

**Time: 4:00 PM**

Chairman, Vic Sample called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm. All board members were present.

There was no public comment and role was taken.

Vice Chair, Roger Flynn moved to approve the minutes from August 29, 2023. Joe Gill seconded and it was carried.

The Board discussed the postcard relating to the Montana Speed Test and made minor changes. Joe Gill made a motion to take the recommendation to the Townsend School Board for approval to distribute. Vice Chair Roger Flynn seconded and the motion was carried. It was discussed that the funding may be able to come from BCDC.

The board read a letter of interest from Spencer Sellay and Shaun Scott. The board commented on both candidates. Chair Vic Sample moved to recommend Spencer Sellay to the Commissioners for approval. Joe Gill seconded and the motion was carried.

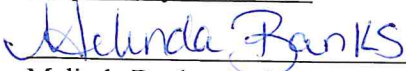
The board discussed that the CAC meetings are starting to be more specific and the information that is being discussed is extremely valuable. The CAC is trying to define polygons throughout the state. Census block groups or Telco maps will be used to decipher these polygons. It was discussed that Census Block Groups would be more beneficial to most counties, including Broadwater County.

When discussing "soft matches", TJ Graveley, Public Works Supervisor may be able to waive some fees for crossing a county road. Josh from Montana Internet is still working with Northwestern Energy and Vigilante when it comes to trench work. This would save some costs to put fiber in the ground. Josh is also talking with his legal team about the possibilities of collaboration with Opticom.

Commissioner Richtmyer stated that it is time for an update to the Commissioners. Chair Vic Sample volunteered to present the Commissioners with an update on September 20, 2023. At this time, Spencer Sellay will also be formally recommended to the Broadband Advisory Board.

The next Broadband Advisory Meeting will be on September 28, 2023, at 4 p.m. in the Flynn Room. The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Melinda Banks, Assistant

9/28/23  
Date

Approved:

  
Vic Sample, Chair

9/28/23  
Date