

12 December 2013

Present: David Kulp, Brian Clark, Andy Smith, Juliet Jacobson and guest: Christopher Gray
Meeting began at 10:10 a.m.

Location: Town Hall

Town Hall Network

Decided to switch Town Hall network to a Wireless Distribution System. Decided to have two subnets: one for the public (guest) that can only access the internet and another for Town Hall staff; both subnets would be password protected, guest password would be publicly available. Decided to reconfigure Police Department network. Decided committee members would come to Town Hall and do the work on January 9th.

Village Wireless Internet Service Business Proposal

Christopher Gray is requesting a 3 year license to use Town Hall building and broadband connection to sell internet service to customers who live in town center. In exchange for this license, Ashfield would get discounted internet service; Wireless network would cover the town center. Brian moved that we support this proposal. Discussion: committee wants to ensure sufficient service in Town Hall as well as reduced rate service to other town offices; also wants to make sure this project won't preclude Ashfield from qualifying for future Broadband last mile solutions. The Committee voted to approve this proposal and will recommend it to the Select Board.

Tech Committee Policies - decided to table this agenda item until a future meeting due to time constraints

Changes to Ashfield.org Website

reviewed new meeting posting features that were already enabled, met with Town Hall staff to walk them thru new features as well as how to post a news item to home page. Decided to ask TownWebsites to make new features live.

Public Record Requests for Emails

Discussed how to create sets of past emails so that they're easily shared with requester. David agreed to write a proposal to be discussed at our next meeting.

David Kulp provided an update about recent developments with WiredWest and last mile fiber network progress.

meeting adjourned at 12:17 pm