

MARATHON COUNTY BROADBAND TASK FORCE MEETING AGENDA

Date & Time of Meeting: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:00 P.M.

Meeting Location: Employee Resource Conference Room, Marathon County Courthouse, 500 Forest St, Wausau, WI & WEBEX Option.

Task Force Members: Chair John Robinson, Jacob Langenhahn, Gary Gisselman, Mike Ritter, Jennifer Aarrestad, Tony Sherfinski, Eric Budleski, Milton Olson, Wade Carroll, Jon Euting

Task Force Purpose: Develop recommendations identifying the potential role of Marathon County in facilitating the expansion of Broadband access in Marathon County. Review the Report: Broadband for Marathon County Broadband Assessment and Plan prepared by Design Nine and develop broad policies and partnership recommendations relating to the expansion of broadband/internet services throughout Marathon County.

Persons wishing to attend the meeting by phone may call into the telephone conference beginning five (5) minutes prior to the start time indicated above using the following number:

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- 1. Call Meeting to Order
- 2. Public Comments (15 Minute limit)
- 3. Approval of the September 25, 2023 minutes
- 4. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion:
 - A. Update on Grant Funded/Assisted Broadband Projects
 - 1. Frontier
 - 2. Bug Tussel
 - 3. Charter
 - B. Broadband Support Position Update
 - C. Update on Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD)
- 5. Policy Discussion and Possible Action:
 - A. PSC Capital Projects Fund \$42 Million
 - 1. Potential projects and role of county
 - B. Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program
 - 1. Public comment on draft plan
 - C. Process and timelines for determining priorities for future broadband expansion efforts
 - D. Resolution Supporting Applications to PSC for Broadband Expansion
- 6. Next Steps
- 7. Next Meeting Date November 27, 2023
- 8. Adjournment

"Any person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation in order to participate should call the County Clerk's Office at 715-261-1500 or e-mail countyclerk@co.marathon.wi.us one business day before the meeting.

SIGNED /s/ John Robinson

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