



**MARATHON COUNTY  
BROADBAND TASK FORCE MEETING  
AGENDA**

Date & Time of Meeting: **Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at 3:00 P.M.**

Meeting Location: **Assembly Room, Marathon County Courthouse, 500 Forest St, Wausau, WI**

**Task Force Members:** Chair John Robinson, Michael Ritter, Brandon Jensen, Jasper Hartinger, Randy Radtke, Jordan Reynolds, Jon Euting, Eric Budleski, Milton Olson, Valerie Carrillo

**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.*

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Public Comments (15 Minute limit)**
3. **Approval of the March 25, 2024 minutes**
4. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion:**
  - A. Introductions and Overview/History of Broadband Task Force
  - B. Update on Grant Funded/Assisted Broadband Projects
    1. Ongoing Grants Report
    2. Frontier
    3. Bug Tussel
    4. Charter RDOF
5. **Policy Discussion and Possible Action:**
  - A. Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program
    1. BEAD Overview and Timeline
    2. April 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting with Internet Service Providers
    3. Community Engagement in BEAD
      - a. Letters of support for specific ISP BEAD projects
    4. County Role in working with ISP
  - B. Bug Tussel
    1. 2022 PSC Grant Funding/Loan
    2. 2021 Supplemental Conduit Borrowing Request
  - C. PSC Capital Projects Digital Connectivity and Navigator Program
    1. United Way of Marathon County /United Way of Wisconsin
      - a. Request support from Marathon County
6. **Next Steps and Timelines**
7. **Next Meeting Date – June 24, 2024**
8. **Adjournment**

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**SIGNED /s/ John Robinson** \_\_\_\_\_  
Presiding Officer or Designee

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