

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE
MILFORD AREA COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
VIA ZOOM (AMIDST THE GOVERNOR COVID-19 INSTRUCTIONS)
December 14, 2020**

PRESENT: Jay Wilson, BOG Chairman, Town of Mont Vernon
Craig Frye, BOG Vice Chairman, Town of Milford
Eric Olesen, BOG Member, Town of Wilton
Jason Johnson, MACC Director
Darlene Bouffard, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order: Jay Wilson called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m. J. Wilson indicated the IMA has been signed by all three towns. J. Wilson asked for an update from the Milford BOS. C. Frye said they are moving forward with the Milford Warrant Article.

2. Approval of Minutes: There was one set of minutes on the agenda for approval; November 16, 2020 which were emailed to members. C. Frye moved to approve minutes as presented. E. Olesen seconded. A poll was taken C. Frye aye, E. Olesen aye, J. Wilson aye. All were in favor. Motion passed.

3./4. Old / New Business: There were no discussions.

5. Updates From Director: J. Johnson said the tree work will be done either December 2020 or January 2021 in Mont Vernon. Chief Nourse said he is still waiting to hear but could give it a haircut to get a little better service. J. Johnson indicated the microwave money will be carried over for next year. J. Johnson will provide the November check registers at the next meeting for signature and for review. J. Wilson can figure out some meeting dates for the next couple months. The server is all set and MACC is using a new IT company. The sites: Milford is working on negotiations for Dram Cup Hill for their project, so J. Johnson wants to work on that for MACC sites. J. Johnson spent time with one vendor and what they are suggesting for infrastructure for MACC is waiting on a final number from them. He is waiting for a plan for the Police channel and moving it to a multi-site; one vendor came up with a plan including Dram Cup Hill participating with the Mont Vernon cell tower, he suggested that it would give them ability to move incrementally so it was not one big hit financially for each town. It might be beneficial for the three towns to put forward an agreement for all the towns and focus on Police, but be able to bring in other services later. We do not have to replace everything immediately.

Chris Labonte, Milford BOS, asked what that timeframe would be? J. Johnson said for the 2021 Warrant Article, he thought it would be good for all towns to get the priorities down with Police being the first and modernizing as time passes. Once J. Johnson receives the numbers from the vendor, he will get them to each town. J. Wilson asked if they could be sent to the BOG members first in order to get them to the town Boards of Selectmen. J. Wilson said the BOG members might have questions on the numbers before we send them on to the BOS. J. Johnson agreed saying they are on a site by site basis, we are all in the IMA right now. J. Johnson will send that out in a couple minutes. J. Wilson said the Warrant Article needs to be submitted by the end of January.

J. Johnson has an employee that wants the exit interview to be public so it will be done publicly. J. Johnson read the exit interview: Mark Pepler left Full Time employment with MACC to go to Hollis full time. As of November 16, he left MACC. J. Johnson read parts of the exit interview with M. Pepler. J. Wilson asked how long was he with MACC? J. Johnson said this time it was three years and last time it was five years. J. Wilson said he will be missed and Hollis picked up a good person. J. Johnson said a new full time person started November 10 and so far so good, two other interviews are scheduled, one for full time and one for either part time or full time. C. Frye had no questions. E. Olesen had no questions. J. Wilson had no questions. J. Wilson noted that some parts of M. Pepler's exit interview he understands and he feels it needs to be revisited. J. Johnson said there are items that came up when reviewing the employee handbook and we should talk about those. E. Olesen and C. Frye were all set.

6. Public Comments: J. Wilson asked if there were any public comments? There were none.

7. Items not on the agenda – J. Wilson said that January 4 or 5, 2021 would be good dates for the next BOG meeting for him.

8. Non-Public – there were no non public items this evening.

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9. Announcements – It was decided to hold the next BOG meeting January 5, 2021 at 9:00 am. C. Frye yes, E. Olesen yes, J. Wilson yes. J. Johnson said he will send out the zoom information and agenda the week before.

Adjournment: E. Olesen moved to adjourn at 5:17 p.m. C. Frye seconded. A poll was taken: J. Wilson aye; C. Frye aye; E. Olesen aye. All were in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene J. Bouffard
Recording Secretary

Chairman, Jay Wilson

Vice Chairman, Craig Frye

Member, Eric Olesen

THE MINUTES OF THE 12/14/2020 BOG WERE APPROVED