

MINUTES

Work Session Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority

October 8, 2020

Board members in attendance were: John Reiter, Kelvin Pettit, and Mike Mason

ESVBA management participating in the meeting who were in attendance: Robert Bridgham and Leah Hoopes (Secretary)

Members of the public attending were: Dan Davis

Mr. Mason called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Mr. Reiter moved to adopt the agenda. Mr. Pettit seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Rate Hearing-** Mr. Bridgham presented the Small Business Rate.

Dan Davis asked that the board consider a separate rate for churches and nonprofit companies.

Sue Mastyl also asked that the Authority consider a product for the churches and non-profits that resembles the Residential product.

Mr. Reiter motioned to approve the Small Business Rate. Mr. Pettit seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

- b. **New Deployment Contract-** Mr. Bridgham updated the board that the new provider has given them a projected timeline and he's waiting on a response from the attorney.
Mr. Bridgham estimated that the contract will be ready to execute by the end of October.

WORK SESSION

- a. **Service Extension Policy-** Mr. Bridgham presented the policy and the different scenario options to the board.

*Mr. Pettit motioned to table the discussion for the Service Extension Policy.
Mr. Reiter seconded. Motion passed unopposed.*

BOARD COMMENT

Mr. Pettit encouraged Mr. Bridgham to use any resource possible in order to decrease the wait time of residential installations.


Mr. Mason announced that there is \$30M available for broadband expansion.

Mr. Reiter commented that the funds have to be expended by the end of 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

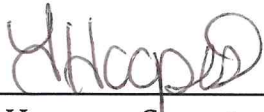
The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 pm.

These minutes were approved at the December 3, 2020 meeting of the Board of Directors of ESVBA.



Presiding Officer

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Leah Hoopes, Secretary