

Western Kennebec Lakes Community Broadband Association
Addendum to Memorandum of Agreement

1. Preamble:

Members of the WKLCBA committee feel strongly that continuing to participate in a regional group to achieve a high-level internet service within the communities will result in a better solution and lower costs for all. The purpose of the original memorandum has been achieved. Grant funding from the Connect ME Authority and the Maine Community Foundation has led to a detailed analysis of broadband services, number of prospective customers and high-level cost estimates. This work is bearing fruit in the manner of attracting an initial proposal to provide new internet services and promises to attract even more proposals.

It is the committee's judgement that it should continue working to develop more comprehensive information which will enable the communities residents and businesses to make an informed decision on which proposal makes sense for the community and our region. To achieve this vision the Committee is developing a Mission Statement to guide the work of a special committee or committees to study issues such as organizational structure, financing and other details necessary to develop internet infrastructure necessary for high speed, cost effective and reliable internet services.


The Committee will seek grant funds to assist in this effort utilizing existing expenditures to leverage funds and established a technical subcommittee to explore the options and develop a report based on the purpose outlined below.

Purpose

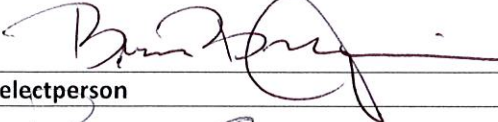


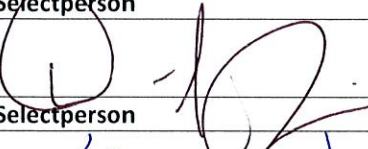

2. Extend agreement through December 31, 2021
3. Purpose
 - a. Investigate creation of an Internet Utility District to provide fiber to the home services to everyone.
 - b. Determine structure needed to facilitate provision of internet services to unserved and underserved residents and businesses that will meet or exceed existing FCC guidelines.
 - c. Continue to investigate solutions to fill in gaps in internet service networks
 - d. Investigate financing and organizational options for all the above
 - e. Continue communications
 - f. Technical review of proposals received
 - g. Each town shall have one vote by a member or alternate duly authorized by the Board of Selectmen

Agreed.

Signing for the Town of Readfield:

	11/16/2020
Eric Dyer, Town Manager	DATE

Signing for the Town of Readfield

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Selectperson	DATE
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