**Notes from Broadband Commission Meeting on 06/19/2023**

**Member Introduction**

**Guest Speaker; Scott Nyman: CEO of Cirrinity**

**Update on Cirrinity Projects: 2 years to complete once award is announced.**

1. Elcho and Kent Road Tower Project completed (Award date was 2022 amount of award $544,850 total project cost 1,100,00 County contributed 25% cost)
2. Village of White Lake and Town of Wolf River build out (this was done through the townships) got delayed due to some locating issues with frontier and some other issues but has been in contact with village town chair and back on track. Poster that was in Post office was from last year. The town of Wolf river focused on Dark Lake and sub divisions that included the Town Hall of Wolf River (no separate County dollars were invested into that project)
3. All material is ordered for the town of Polar, Rolling and Norwood buildout and locates are beginning. This was awarded in June of 2022 with a start in 2023. Completion by June of 2024 with Polar being first then rolling to Norwood. Total project cost 2.7 million; Match from Polar, Rolling and Norwood.
4. New Grant awarded for 2023: This project will utilize a Fiber to the Premises service to reach 3 businesses; 3 town halls, a volunteer fire department and 101 residential locations in the Towns of Peck, Vilas, and Summit in Langlade County. Phase 2 is getting a tower on Town of Summit Land to Emergency Management; working with Consultant to begin the process. Cirrinity has identified a tower they currently own in the town of Eldron; having an Engineering firm look to give a quote to move to Town of Summit; details still being worked out but would be great if they can keep tower under 250 ft due to FFA and permit and costs! Cirrinity stated that fixed wireless is not an option for them to use on the tower due to the trees and other elements but would work with Town on possibility of use from Cell Com or other cell providers. Awarded; **$520,000 matched $605,000 with the County investing ARPA dollars of $115,000 and the towns total of $85,000.00**

**Broadband Mapping Proposals**

Three Broadband Mapping Proposals were received and reviewed. Hometown Fiber, Northcentral Regional Planning Commission and Finely Engineering.

Motion to approve Northcentral Regional Planning Commission Mapping Proposal at $6,500.00 and Finely Engineering KMZ File Proposal at $1,400.00 by Jason, second by Sally. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Expenditure will come from the Langlade County BEAD Planning Grant.

BEAD Funding Planning Grant Budget discussed. Contract, Consultant fees $12,000, Labor $4,000 and Supplies at $2,250.00. Motion to approve by Al, second by Eric. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Speed Test Updates**

Close discussed the two Speed Test Campaigns.

* Wisconsin Internet Self-Report; through the PSC of Wisconsin going through end of July; posters and social media, along with some direct mailing will be done for marketing. [www.tinyuirl.com/WISER2023](http://www.tinyuirl.com/WISER2023)
* GEO Partners Grant: Speed Test through Grow North and Northcentral Regional Planning Commission: Test and data collected through December 31, 2023. [www.expressoptimizer.net/public/](http://www.expressoptimizer.net/public/)

**Meeting Times; Other Business**

Discussion was held regarding meeting times. Going forward all Broadband Commission meetings will be held at 5:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

No meeting will be held in July. Next meeting date is set for August 15th.

Meeting adjourned