

**Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting
October 12, 2021 — 5:00 PM
Zoom
MINUTES**

Members Present: First Selectman Kevin Cwikla, Selectmen Kathleen Smith, Robin Chesmer, and Betsy Petrie-McComber

Others Present: Ryan DelMastro (Novus Insight); Wendy Rego (CEN); Valerie Belles (Temporary Finance Consultant/School Business Manager)

1.0 Call to Order

K. Cwikla called to order at 5:10 PM.

2.0 Discuss and Act on CEN Proposal for Broadband Infrastructure Improvements to Town Buildings

W. Rego discussed history of Connecticut Education Network. She discussed various connection options for municipal buildings. K. Smith asked about advantage of doing point-to-point to the Town Hall instead of from the Middle School. W. Rego said it would cost less for the Town Hall to be part of the ring and it would be more reliable. B. Petrie said they would like Town Hall to be spliced into the ring. It would be significantly faster and more reliable than the Town's current Charter service.

K. Cwikla said they should also connect the Senior Center and Community Center. The library may wish to connect in the future after construction is complete. R. DelMastro said the Town Hall should splice into the ring and then do point-to-point to other municipal buildings.

W. Rego said she will provide a finalized proposal showing all of the buildings and costs including the bandwidth fee and 20-year maintenance charge. Service can be ready to go 90 to 150 days from contract execution. The Selectmen agreed to meet again when the new proposal is ready.

NO ACTION TAKEN

K. Smith MOVED to enter Executive Session and to invite V. Belles to participate. B. Petrie SECONDED.
MOTION CARRIED 4:0

3.0 Executive Session: (Sec1-200 6a) Discussion concerning the appointment of a public officer or employee

Executive Session began at 5:45 PM and ended at 6:20 PM.

4.0 Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Bernard W. Dennler III
Office Manager to the First Selectman