
STC Meeting Minutes – August 2, 2019

Call to order

A meeting of the Sherman Telecommunications Committee was called to order at 11:06 am at Mallory Town Hall on August 2, 2019. The STC did not meet in July 2019.

Attendees included Committee members Gail Maletz [GM], Zoe Sochor [ZS], Terri Hahn [TH], Al Zeisler [AZ] and Don Lowe [DL].

Approval of minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2019 STC meeting was made by DL and seconded by GM; approved unanimously.

Correspondence/Public Comment

No comments.

Old Business

- **Status of emergency equipment installation (DL)**

DL reported that emergency equipment is solely dependent on the property in negotiation on the south end of town. Current conditions for the fire dept/public works is status quo.
- **Possible cell tower site per Ray Vergati (DL)** - DL reported that the ground lease with Homeland Towers and an interested landlord is on track with respective attorneys.
- **T-Mobile installation at Happy Acres per Dan Reid (DL)** – DL reported that the TMobile engineering report concluded that the silo structure at Happy Acres is not sound. The simplest way to move forward with installation is to build or repair the silo, which would cost 120-150K, vs 500k for construction and zoning of a monopole. TH suggested that someone from this committee attend Friends of Happy Acres meetings.
- **NWConneCT / NWCOG (TH)** –TH reported that the groups are continuing to follow the municipal gain issue (SB846 - Municipal Gain – a proposed bill in Hartford regarding municipalities being able to use telephone poles for telecommunications).
- **Emergency call boxes (TH)** – TH followed up with Sherman Charter/Spectrum representative Frank Copsidas, who said the Town of Sherman can run one strand of fiber, but it would be expensive to run.

ACTION: AZ to follow up with Frank on technical details.

New Business

- **Naromi new properties** – TH reported that the committee is still waiting for information from Nairomi Board Member Stan Greenbaum, regarding possible tower sites on new properties acquired by Nairomi.

ACTION: Don will contact Naromi to ask for a comprehensive response on the group's stance for putting a tower on its properties.

- **Happy Acres Update** – Discussed under old business.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM. Next meeting: Friday, September 6 at 11 am, Mallory Town Hall.