

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
Town of Becket  
557 Main Street  
Becket, MA 01223

**Meeting Minutes for August 4, 2016**

**PRESENT:**

Finance Committee (FC): Dan Parnell (DP); Ann Spadafora (AS); Mark Karlberg (MK); Ron De Foe (RF)  
Maria Wallington (MW)  
Town Administrator: Ed Gibson (EG)  
Public: Jeremy Dunn (JD)

**ABSENT: None**

Meeting was called to order by DP at 6:17 PM.

**AGENDA:**

- 1. Review and approve minutes for July 7, 2016.**
  - a. AS moved to accept the minutes of the July 2, 2016 meeting. MW seconded. Approved unanimously.
- 2. Correspondence and transfers**
  - a. None
- 3. Town Administrator's input**
  - a. EG turned the floor over to DP to discuss MBI and the Broadband ad-hoc committee.
  - b. DP informed everyone that Wired West was no longer the installation phase of the project and that the town would be responsible for that aspect, most likely contracting with MBI for the service. State will pay for the poles to be "surveyed" (~3,650 poles for a total of ~\$187,000). Filing fees and application fees to be paid by the town. JD noted that we were still about 28% of 40% goal to go forward. DP noted Wired West may still be involved in the operational aspect of the project. JD recommended he and DP do a pole check to see where the system may not need to go in some of the outlying areas of town.
  - c. Broadband ad-hoc committee will be going before the Board of Selectmen to present their recommendations.
- 4. Any other business.**
  - a. None.
- 5. Adjourn meeting**
  - a. MK moved to adjourn meeting at 6:58 P.M. AS seconded. Passed unanimously.

**Next meeting:** September 1, 2016 at 6 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by Mark Karlberg

Approved by Dan Parnell, Chair

