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GCET BOC Minutes November 13, 2024

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00pm

Location: GCET Conference Room & Hybrid

Present at 324 Main: Tim Farrell, David Russell, Jen Stromsten, Pamela Goodwin, Cathy Marcum

Also Present: John Lunt, William St. Denis

Topics

Public Comment

- No speakers
- \$305K ARPA money returned by Mayor
- Update on North Build status
 - o Make Ready work is closer to completion
 - Mayor has approved ARPA invoices sent to her
 - Still need Comcast Invoice and Make Ready work to be done
 - Expect Invoice within next week or two.
 - o IFB nearly ready, needs railroad insurance completion
 - Should go out next week
 - o Conduit dug and laid under high tension power lines where necessary
 - North Build to pass approximately 1000 homes. GCET hopes to sign up 200 to 400 homes over the first 2 years
 - GAP Grant update
 - Contract with MBI is finalized
 - Completed FTTX (fiber to the premises) development and engineering work reviewed by Bill St. Denis
 - Description with illustrations as to how FTTX will work
 - Timeline next step
 - Make Ready portion
 - Applications are being prepared for pole owners.
 - Likely to take 18+ months for make ready work to be done by owners, process is very slow
 - GCET pulls fiber after Make Ready
 - Residential Retrofit Update
 - Contract with MBI and Schochet (building owners) is finalized

- o Make Ready portion much smaller
- o Bill St. Denis provides visuals for in building work
 - IT rooms on different floors
 - Chases for wiring (where they exist)
- o Will be complete by end of 2026 or sooner
- Next meeting Date set for 12/3/24 at GCET Conference Room 6pm.
 - $_{\odot}$ Setting dates of 2nd Tuesday of the month at GCET 6pm for future meetings pending availability

Motion to adjourn by Jen S., Seconded by David R. – Vote in favor was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm