



Town of Lamoine
Technology Committee
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Minutes – February 20, 2024

Chair Justin Zinke called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Present were: Committee members Gregg Tehennepe and Justin Zinke and Adm. Asst. Stu Marckoon. Members Kristy Overlock and Bob LaChance had informed the committee prior to the meeting they were unable to attend.

Minutes – November 9, 2023 – Gregg moved to approve the minutes as written. Justin 2nd.

Maine Cyber Reach Project – Stu reported that there have been a couple of zoom meetings with the project team which is examining the internal computer network at the town hall. He said the project continues. He said he and Bob LaChance were able to set up a secure “bucket” file system to transfer data. Gregg asked about the pace of the project and wondered if there is a plan “B”. Stu said he would contact the U-Maine Augusta team tomorrow to see what the next steps are.

Cable TV System – Stu reported that he met via zoom with Cablecast Systems and was greatly impressed by their operation which caters to municipal cable channels. He said he sent around the recording of the zoom meeting to the committee. He reported that a dealer for the company has contacted the town hall and was interested in meeting. Stu said the Cablecast product has a scheduler and a streaming application which can be used by folks who use the internet to stream TV shows. He said in addition to the scheduler, he would be interested in seeing some upgrades to the A/V gear at the town office to see if the cameras can coordinate to the microphones for a better quality telecast.

After a brief discussion, Justin moved to move forward with contacting Unique Video, the dealer for the Cablecast company. Gregg asked if another bid might be needed. Stu said he didn't believe so, as this is a unique project. Gregg 2nd.

Other matters – Stu said the website is working well. Gregg inquired whether the town was considering Fidium fiber for Internet. Stu said Charter offers a very good discount rate for internet and email.

Next Meeting – The next meeting will be at the call of the chair once something is proposed for the CTV system.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stu Marckoon, Adm. Asst.