

Waterloo Town Council Meeting  
Special Meeting  
September 29, 2021

A meeting of the Waterloo Town Council was held September 29th at 5:30 p.m. at the Waterloo Town Hall.

Member's present were:

Katherine Hobbs  
Josh Caudill  
Greg Iddings

Pam Howard/Town Manager  
Renee Duszynski/ Clerk Treasurer  
Ken Surber  
Jess Jessup

The following business was discussed, and action taken: Unless specified all votes were unanimous.

**New Business:**

1. Meeting With Stellar:

Richard Laing and John Knapp introduce themselves and provide information about their fiber company Stellar. They are based out of Lansing, Michigan and provide fiber to many apartment complexes and businesses. They were the first to offer true 10 Gig speed for an entire apartment complex.

They presented their dashboard that will allow the town to control and enhance customer service. This would be a white labeled webpage that would display the Town's name of choice.

They are a founding member of the Detroit Internet Exchange. This is a Regional Internet Exchange Point. It was founded by carriers and businesses to allow for free exchange.

Laing explained the GPON (Gigabit Ethernet Passive Optical Network) and the central point of presence. There is redundancy built in to reduce the risk of failure. The central point of presence would 40,000 KV and take up a 15'x15' space. This could be a prebuilt shelter.

Laing and Knapp reviewed the feasibility study and the pro forma. Discussion was held about the cost of going underground vs going on poles. Jessup stated the zoning could be changed to allow for hanging if it were to be a benefit to us. The rates of the plans were discussed and the speeds that would be provided. Laing also stated that there could be a possibility for VOIP and video as well. He explained that the numbers can be changed to be more accurate based on what the town wants to do. He has figured in averages but the Town has control over most of the factors. He will set up a meeting to true the numbers up and have someone come look at the design if it were to be aerial.

Laing also explained that there is a cost to connect to the internet and a cost of transport. He has built in \$12,000 montly.

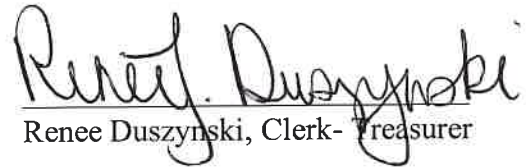
2. SRF Application: Howard reviewed the SRF papers. Jessup discussed the conference call between SRF, USDA, Midwestern and the Town. It was advised by USDA and SRF to apply for a SRF forgivable loan and then also apply for SWIF at the next round. In order to apply the town must pass a resolution to approve the application for SRF funding. Motion to approve resolution made by Caudill (Surber) passed.

I, Renee Duszynski, the duly qualified Clerk/Treasurer, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and exact excerpt of minutes of the meeting of the Waterloo Town Council, Waterloo, Indiana, at which a quorum was in attendance and acting throughout, and held September 29, 2021, as such appears in the official minutes of said Waterloo Town Council, in my custody.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00.m.



Jess Jessup, President



Renee Duszynski, Clerk- Treasurer