

**DRAFT Minutes of Beaver Island Telecommunication Advisory Committee Meeting
Peaine and St James Township, Beaver Island
St James Township Hall | November 19, 2018 5:00PM**

Present

Theresa McDonough, Kevin Boyle, Neal Green, Kathleen McNamara, Garry Conant, and Paul Welke

Absent

Wil Cwikel

Others

Paul Cole, Dwight Early, Dick Mulvihill, Jessica Anderson

Election of Officers

The committee members introduced themselves and shared their pertinent backgrounds.

The committee was in agreement for the following appointments:

- Chairperson : Kevin Boyle
- Vice Chairperson : Kathleen McNamara
- Secretary : Theresa McDonough

Technology Background

Chairperson Boyle updated the committee on previous work done by the Beaver Island Association. He noted that it will be important for the committee to keep community informed on their progress. Vice Chairperson McNamara updated the committee on a recent meeting with Great Lakes Energy. The committee and audience members shared knowledge of current technology offerings on the island, as well as potential projects. Much discussion followed.

Objectives and Charges

The committee decided these things are the responsibility of the following members:

- Green will document the current offerings on the island, covering both infrastructure and technological capabilities.
- McNamara and Boyle will meet with Cwikel to hear about any potential upgrades the school is investigating.
They will also draft some goals and an objective for the committee.
- Boyle will follow up with Merit.

McNamara noted that all progress should be updated on both townships websites.

Next Meeting Date

The next BITAC Meeting will be on Tuesday December 11, 2018 at 5:00PM.

They will report back at the next BITAC Meeting.