#### **MINUTES**

# Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Broadband Authority

## January 17, 2013

Board members in attendance were: John Read, Mike Zodun, Katie Nunez, and Pete Lalor.

ESVBA management participating in the meeting who were in attendance: Nicholas Pascaretti and Leah Hoopes (Secretary)

Members of the public attending were: Robert Ritter.

Mike Zodun called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm.

#### **Motion**

Lalor motioned to amend the January 17th Meeting Agenda to add a discussion about the Executive Director's contract to the Old Business section. Seconded by Read. Motion passed unopposed.

Closed Session - Motion to enter into closed session according to Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended; Paragraph 1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body and Paragraph 34: Discussion or consideration by a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) of confidential proprietary records and trade secrets excluded from this chapter pursuant to subdivision 19 of § 2.2-3705.6 made by Read, seconded by Nunez. The following board members were present: Lalor, Nunez, Zodun and Read and voted affirmative.

After closed session, the Chair reconvened the meeting. Motion was made by Katie, seconded by Lalor that the Board had entered the closed session for that purpose as set out in; Paragraph 1 and Paragraph 34 of Section 2.2-3711

of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended. Roll call vote taken Vote was that no other business discussed than as advised in Paragraph 1 and 34. The following board members were present: Lalor, Nunez, Zodun, and Read and voted affirmative.

#### **Public Comment:**

Mr. Ritter asked to be included in the Rate discussion under Old Business; he also gave an update on the Chincoteague Pilot.

#### **Motion**

Lalor moved to approve the December 20th Meeting Minutes. Read seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

#### **Motion**

Nunez moved to ask the Executive Director to reach out to R.U.S.(Rural Utility Services) and any other potential sources for case studies for rural Broadband that they found successful. Seconded by Read.

After discussion Nunez amended the motion to add that Mr. Pascaretti focus only on expansion, not rates. Seconded by Lalor. Motion passed unopposed.

## <u>Motion</u>

Lalor moved that the BOD delegate the Authority to a committee composed of Mike Zodun and Katie Nunez to finalize and execute a contract with the Executive Director for his services. Read Seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

## **Motion**

Katie moved for the Executive Director to continue to work with Elaine at ANPDC in developing a survey to determine where Broadband is or is not on the Shore. The information received from this survey is to be mapped and the total cost should not exceed \$5,000.00. Lalor Seconded.

AYE: 3, NAY: 1. Motion passed.

## <u>Motion</u>

Lalor moved that the Executive Director investigate the availability of LiDAR topology from the counties. Read Seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

### **Motion**

Nunez moved for the Executive Director to submit a letter of support for House Bill 2032. Read Seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

#### **Motion**

Lalor motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:37 p.m. Read Seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

These minutes were approved at thethe Board of Directors of ESVBA.	Feb.	۵۱,	2013	meeting of
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