

Minutes of the WG&E Construction Meeting with the Heath MLB  
September 21, 2021 at 1

Present: WG&E: Joe Parda, Tom Kolek, and Brian Sullivan who arrived late

TriWire: Jordan Hawes, Dave Libbey

MLB: Art Schwenger, Anne Emmet, David Gordon, Bill Fontes, and Ned Wolf  
with Jan Carr visiting and MLP Manager, Sheila Litchfield

Dave Libbey said that he thinks Jordan has finished the work to install a drop at 14 Center Heath Road. Dave will follow up with splicing.

Dave expects the testing in FSA 3 to be finished by the end of this week or the end of next week. Joe said that there are 10 MST's in FSA 3 under review. Dave said that 3 of those are reburns and the remaining 7 are retests. Dave said that FSA 3 will be deliverable to WG&E by September 22. Joe said that WG&E would be planning to release FSA 3 for installs by the week of October 11. David commented that the 3 Charlemont edge cases are in FSA 3.

Bill asked why the 3 to 4 day delay? Dave Libbey acknowledged the delay. He said that there are new staff members. Cleanup has been a big issue. No one is available for the weekend. Last week the repeater wasn't working as they had hoped.

Dave said they plan to have one person splicing in FSA 4 by the end of the week. He confirmed with Tom that the only thing different about the testing in FSA 4 is that there will first be hub to cabinet.

Joe said that in the worst case splicing will be done in FSA 4 by October 15<sup>th</sup>. Tom thinks that testing in FSA 4 can be completed by Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>.

Sheila said that she has sent her report to the Select Board on TriWire's bankruptcy. Dave Libbey said that TriWire is in the process of being sold to ITG. To authorize the sale to ITG, it is necessary that TriWire file for bankruptcy. Dave continued that all TriWire's testing and splicing is done in house. There will be no schedule delays. All employees are being paid. Since Whip City Fiber holds the contract for underground, all underground subcontractors have submitted 1099's. All underground subcontractors are glad that TriWire is being bought by ITG.

Brian said that Whip City Fiber agrees with everything just said.

Sheila and the MLB looked ahead to the need for the Heath team to agree with WG&E on the number of premises. Sheila said that we will be seeking a meeting with Brian.

Sheila said that Jamie Cincotta has reported that for 612 8A North a 2000' underground with multiple pole boxes seems to be the best option. He says that they will be able to give the owners a cost.

David asked Joe about the Cebula proposal for monitoring the hub. Does it include an inside or an outside camera? Joe said that it includes one inside and one outside camera. If we want another outside camera for the generator, that is available for extra cost.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ned Wolf