

Minutes of the Meeting of the Heath MLB  
May 10, 2022 at 11  
virtual meeting

Present: MLB: Art Schwenger(Chair), Anne Emmet, David Gordon, Bill Fontes,  
and Ned Wolf

Absent: MLP Manager Sheila Litchfield

Art called the meeting to order at 11.

Members read the minutes of the May 3<sup>rd</sup> MLB meeting. Bill moved that the minutes be approved with corrections. David seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

MLB members received from Sheila on May 8 an email saying that she would be unable to attend on May 10 both the MLB meeting at 11 and the installs meeting at 1:30. She reported that she is still awaiting Robyn's signature on the revised Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development (EOHED) broadband grant so Hilma can send it to Bill Ennen.

Members reviewed an email sent on May 10 by Whip City Fiber to Hilma Sumner, Town Coordinator. The email says, "We will connect you to Heath's fastest internet on Monday, January 31, 2022." David will send the email to Betsy Loiko. We will ask about this at the 1:30 installs meeting.

Bill said that he and Jenny have exchanged emails about getting people installed soon at Mohawk Estates.

David said that he received a phone call last week from Heath Librarian Kate Barrows who said that ITG was wanting to get into the hut. The laminated list of contact persons which had been attached to the hut door is no longer there. A new list is needed. On this occasion ITG claimed that they sent an email before the day of their visit about making an appointment. No MLB member received the email. We will bring up the matter of ITG's contacting WG&E before it visits the hut at the 1:30 meeting.

Anne recalled Sheila's showing interest in a manual for accessing the hut. Art said that Jim Drawe had told her to go ahead and write a manual. There are questions about how to respond that are special to Heath. What role does Tim have? How might police and fire personnel respond? Heath is responsible for writing down instructions. Then there are more technical questions related to the various sensors in the hut. "Whom to call?" is a question of

interest to Heath as well as to a number of other towns having a similar security system. The MLB needs to discuss these situations related to the hut.

David recalled that Cebula did send out a sheet on how to arm and disarm the hut.

David said that he and the other representatives of the Northern Tier towns are waiting to hear back from KP Law on the cost sharing agreement.

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It was not clear to members how it happened that despite Hilma's having received from Art the final draft of the MLB's ATM handout, there were no MLB handouts at the ATM.

A Heath resident who attended the ATM and tried to ask a question about the \$200,000 was appreciative of Art's phone call after the meeting during which he addressed the question to the resident's satisfaction.

Art and David noted a mistake in the Recorder's coverage. The newspaper said that the IT stabilization fund was being created for broadband when in fact it was being created for the town office's computer and technology related needs. Bill suggested the correction be sent to the Selectboard. Art said that he would do that.

Bill added to the list of questions for the 1:30 meeting: When is ITG going to finish its punch list at Mohawk Estates?

Members acknowledged receiving an email from Sheila requesting the renewal of the MLP PO Box.

**Action Taken**     *Ned moved that the MLP PO Box be renewed. Bill seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.*

Bill said that he sent the plant costs to Joe, the Project Manager at 11 Bellor Road. Bill is awaiting contact information for the 3 farmers other than Joe's brother.

Bill made a motion to adjourn at 11:33 am. Anne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ned Wolf