

Minutes of the Heath MLB Meeting

June 3, 2025 @11

Virtual

Present: Art Schwenger (Chair), Anne Emmet, David Gordon, Dave Peterson, Ned Wolf, and MLP Manager Bailey Cole

Art called the meeting to order at 11:09.

Members read the minutes of the May 6 MLB meeting. Anne moved to accept the minutes with edits. David seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Members agreed that to know how many places along Avery Brook Road north of Burrington Road might need more cable for a drop we need to know the pole placements. David said that as an abutter he has received a notice from the Town Clerk of a pole hearing on June 17th.

MLP Manager's Report

Bailey said he was at the hut on May 8 when the smoke detector was replaced.

In August 2024 the fire alarm was replaced.

Bailey said he has mentioned to Whip City Fiber (WCF) that he has no access to the MLP's router. WCF has replied that no one is supposed to have access to that router except WCF itself. WCF said that they could be requested to set up a new line for Bailey.

Bailey continues to see no sign of mice in the hut.

He has sent photos showing the cracked stucco exterior to United Concrete.

He offered to introduce Dave to the hut interior.

The old Tripp Lites, which Jim Drawe has recommended be removed, have yet to be 100% removed. They are being removed during the maintenance rideouts. Bailey will ask at the next WiredWest meeting for the date of the next maintenance rideout.

Every Tuesday Bailey and David should each be receiving 2 emails. Each email confirms the testing of the hut's generator: one from Cebula & USA Central and the other from a new

company that has taken the place of Kohler. The emails haven't always come. Bailey needs to contact Kohler through Kinsley and ask what's happening.

Bailey reported 5 terminations as of May 28 due to nonpayment.

He reported no complaints. WCF says that Heath is low among the towns in terms of the number of people asking for customer support.

A question was asked regarding the trailer parked by the construction workers at the bridge on route 8A: Does the trailer have a broadband hookup? David said that checking the WCF CRM will show whether an install occurred at that trailer.

Bailey said there is a WiredWest meeting the evening of June 4.

Bailey and David will set up a review of broadband finances. Dave is welcome to take part. David will send the cash flow sheet to Bailey and Dave.

Bailey has heard nothing about CAF II. David reminded us that the size of Heath's CAF II distribution depends not on the number of active customers but on the number of houses that have broadband available. The performance level of the available broadband is regularly tested.

Bailey said that he does not yet have any physical files. If such files occur, he will put them in the MLP office. He provided Dave with the link to the MLP's Google drive.

Bailey said that he has no access to the town website for making changes in broadband information. Anne said that she still has access that Pat McGahan granted her.

Art reminded us that the event to honor Sheila for her work as MLP Manager will be held on Saturday June 6, 1 – 3 in the Heath Community Hall.

Dates of Coming MLB Meetings: July 8 at 11 AM

August 5 at 11 AM

September 2 at 11 AM

Anne moved, and Dave seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 12:05. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted, Ned Wolf

