

2023-03-28 - EFCC Minutes

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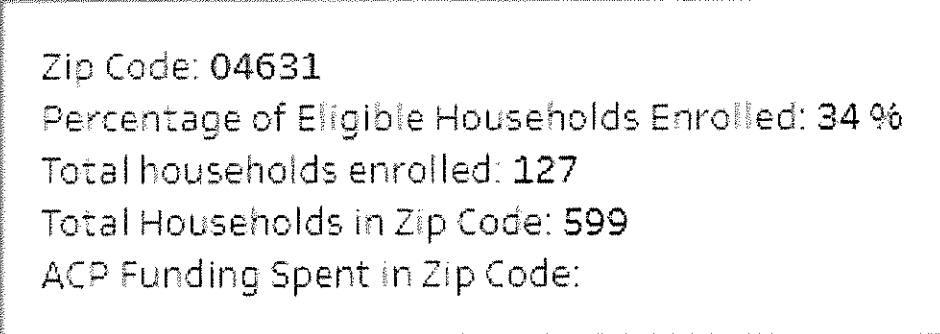
Note: Invitees marked with a hyphen were unable to participate.

Invited Participants

Susan Corbet, NDEC

Meeting Admin

Eastport Fiber Connectivity Committee
City Hall, 22 Washington Street



Zip Code: 04631

Percentage of Eligible Households Enrolled: 34 %

Total households enrolled: 127

Total Households in Zip Code: 599

ACP Funding Spent in Zip Code:

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• Target communications at the school for kids to take home

• Mark Wigley: Are we messaging that folks should engage their council members?

• Ken Burke: Yes, we're actively suggesting that

• SHEAD engagement:

• Melissa Mitchell negotiating an assembly followed by a pizza & chat

6. Digital Equity update

• Jeanne Peacock: Dana at the library is willing

• Elaine Abbott spoke to Regina Mitchel: Want's to participate

7. Timeline based on August submission

8. Invite Jeff Nivens - Mission Broadband POC, to next meeting to discuss how we'll work together, etc.

• Sipayik hasn't engaged yet

• Ken Burke: We'll invite Chris Waite to participate in conversations with Jeff Nivens

9. 30-day community engagement schedule

10. SHEAD engagement & pizza table

11. Spectrum fiber announcement

• Contact Spectrum

• Chris Waite: Not a commitment, 35M of the mentioned 70M was the purchase of Beeline Cable, not upgrades

• Mention of symmetrical speeds

• Mid-splits/high-splits - increases capacity

• Same reliability issues exist

• In no way will they be replacing their cable network, fiber as an extension to cover uncovered areas

• Jeanne Peacock: They used the word "symmetrical" and not "fiber".

• Chris Waite DOCsis 4.0 - software solution

• Under NTA guidelines, Sipayik not underserved

• Jeanne Peacock: If we go with Axiom/DBU could Charter (CCI) piggyback on the DBU/Axiom infrastructure?

Adjourn

Time: xxxx

Action Items

1. Has Eastport ever considered public WiFi downtown?