



TOWN OF UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Technology Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: April 25, 2024

Location: Upton Community Center and virtual

A: Call to Order

Having a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm.

B: In Attendance

Committee Members:

- Jeff Boss – virtual
- David Brooks, Clerk
- David Lane
- Steven Rakitin, Chair

C: Discussion

1. Review and approve agenda

The agenda was approved by unanimous roll-call vote of members present.

2. Discussion of Town Meeting Article 34

David B described the intention and content of the by-law change, to require the Planning and Select Boards to develop policies and procedures covering the permitting of Small Wireless Facilities. David L asked how the permission structure worked when telecom companies want to use National Grid poles, and David B said he would look that up and provide an answer.

The motion was made and seconded to recommend passage of the Article, as amended by the Planning Board. The motion passed by unanimous roll-call vote.

3. Spectrum Enterprise

Steve reported that Spectrum has offered to sell monitoring services and leased equipment. The contract will be discussed with the Town Manager in May. We will ask to review the contract. One potential advantage is that we will then be able to move from RetroFit to Whalley.

4. Public Comment

No members of the public offered comments.

D: Committee Actions and Action Items

1. A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. The motion was approved unanimously by rollcall of members present.
2. A motion was made and seconded to recommend passage of Article 34 at the next Town Meeting. It was approved unanimously by rollcall of members present.

E: Next Meeting

The next committee meeting will be in May 2024, at a date and time to be determined.

F: Meeting Adjourned

Upon unanimous vote of those present, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted

David Brooks
Clerk