

**Town of Grand Island**  
**Technology Advisory Board**  
**Meeting Minutes 07.20.2023**

Called to order the regular meeting of the TAB at 7:03PM.

**Role Call:**

X	Christian Bahleda		Robert Christmann	X	James Watts (Chair)
	Robin Kwiatek	X	Jim Sharpe	X	Michael Stockinger
X	Joseph Spinella	X	Dan Shvimer (Vice Chair)	X	Ron Stipp (Secretary)
X	Taylor Kaufman	X	John Gerbec	X	Edward Matrak

Motion to approve June minutes. Motion by Joe S. Second by Mike S. All in favor.

**Town IT Manager Position:**

Conversation with GICS regarding the possibility of a job hire that could fit the needs of both roles at both the town and the schools. TAB is reviewing what the schools initially scoped for the job description and fine tuning to meet some of the items and needs of the town. TAB recognizes this may not be a management position, but provides a pathway to success of this individual to evaluate the systems and provide technical direction in the position that will provide benefit for both entities. TAB reviewed a breath of technology “duty” items and potential tasks for this individual and will compile a list that will help shape the day-to-day items.

**Civics Plus IPS:**

Christian reported that he reviewed this amongst other professionals and evaluated that this may not be the best fit for us both from our current technology stance and cost perspective. There is a future opportunity available for this as we continue to advance the town in technology and define policies to help guide and adhere.

**Spectrum Franchise Agreement/PDF Standardization/IT Budget/DSS:**

No new update from Tom D. Christian will follow up with Tom.

**Broadband:**

Jim reported that ErieNet is going through some restructuring of staff, and on the move to continue along their path discovery and there is an opportunity for GI to be one of the first in the phases of this project deployment. Contract is next to be reviewed by the town board. Timeline looks to be about 1-year out for field work, and potential completion by 2025. Their primary line of work is for businesses and corporations, however they are partnering with other organizations to bring fiber to the home for residential.

Nothing else new with FirstLight or Niacom.

**Comprehensive Planning Review Board:**

Local waterfront revitalization program was discussed. It addresses how both the state and federal government will make any decisions to our shorelines. It could be found and referenced on the town's website for review.

**Parking Lot (from previous agendas):**

Safety and Security Contract: No update.

Server Upgrades: No update.

Geocove Server Upgrade: No update.

GIS System: No update.

Standardized Signature Template: No update.

Town Commons Electronic Sign: No update.

EV Charging Stations: No update.

5G Antenna Guidelines: No update.

**New Business:**

Nothing new to report.

**Next meeting, August 17<sup>th</sup> – will be online.**

Motion to adjourn 8:16 pm made by Jim S, second by Joe S. All in favor.