

Town of Springfield, New Hampshire

July 19, 2018

Ad Hoc Internet Committee; at the Direction of the Town Planning Board.

Report to the Planning Board

Contacted six (6) potential participants per direction from Chair of the Planning Board.

First Meeting held on Thursday, July 12. Intended to be an organizational meeting.

Two (2) of the potential participants attended (Mike Howard, Andy D'Amico). Discussed the various options for "high speed broadband internet service." Focus on wireless options and "fiber to the home" (FTTH).

Andy agreed to reach out to contacts that he has in Concord to learn what is being done at the State level.

Mike to look into what has been done using local/municipal "wireless systems to determine if that might be a viable option.

There was discussion regarding "5G" wireless, which I did not understand.

We agreed I would summarize the meeting and we would schedule another try at getting some "traction" on this effort.

I reported to the Board of Selectmen that I was asked to organize the *ad hoc* committee and this would be on a volunteer basis outside the scope of my Zoning responsibilities. My report was included in the minutes of the BOS meeting. Whereupon, I received an inquiry from Wayne Smith asking how he could have attended a meeting on July 12, when he only read about it in the minutes from the BOS meeting on July 17th...

I asked Mr. Wayne if he would like to participate. He accepted the invitation.

Respectfully,
Whit Smith