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Michael Brooks, Chairman Richard Baum, Vice Chairman Lorne Green, Treasurer/Secretary Robert Dufour, Member Jessica Dymond, Member Jonathan Schiller, Member Steve Melendez, Member

Sullivan Broadband Local Development Corporation Meeting May 24, 2021 4:45pm

Present:

Michael Brooks, Richard Baum, Jonathan Schiller, Jessica Dymond, Robert Dufour, Lorne Green, Steve Melendez

The meeting of the Sullivan Broadband Local Development Corporation was called to order by Director Michael Brooks as Chairman at 4:52pm.

Ms. Brown provided an administrative update. The EIN for the SBLDC has been received and Ms. Brown initiated the process to open a checking account and secure Directors and Officers Liability insurance. She provided updates on the various grant sources that the County is pursuing for broadband equipment. The EDA has requested that the SBLDC sign on to the application as a co-applicant. Mr. Schiller asked why, and Mr. Brooks stated that County staff have been in touch with Schumer's office to discuss the concerns we have with this arrangement, including lack of flexibility on the County's side in the administration of the network. Mr. Green stated that there is no benefit to the SBLDC being a co-applicant and is hesitant to sign off. This represents a new obstacle in the path to securing this funding. It was determined that County staff would discuss the application further with EDA staff and Ms. Brown will report the results of those discussions back to the Board. She also noted that Sullivan County's experience with the long process to secure EDA funding is not isolated and other communities have had similar struggles. Mr. Green commented that policy is lagging behind the technology.

Mr. Green provided a technical update. Equipment has been received and installed at the Monticello tower location. There has been a supply chain issue with one component but it is on order. IP addresses will be ordered soon. Mr. Brooks stated that the vendor has been patient and understand the nature of starting this type of project. They truly want to be a partner.

Joe Abraham from the Sullivan County Democrat asked for clarification that the equipment referenced was installed on the Monticello tower by the Sullivan County jail, which Mr. Green confirmed. Mr. Green added that NYSEG has run electric infrastructure to the future site of the tower to be located by the Sullivan County Landfill. Mr. Brooks asked for an update on the construction of the Rock Hill tower. Mr. Green stated that the bid has been awarded. Verizon will likely be on that tower by early 2022.

Mr. Green made a motion to go into executive session to discuss potential contract negotiations with a marketing vendor. Mr. Schiller seconded and unanimously carried. Executive session started at 5:09pm.

Executive session ended at 5:57pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by Director Dufour, seconded by Director Dymond and unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:58pm.

CERTIFICATION

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STATE OF NEW YORK) ss: COUNTY OF SULLIVAN)

I, Lorne Green, the undersigned, Secretary of the Sullivan Broadband Local Development Corporation (the "Corporation"), do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, including the policies contained therein, held on March 15, 2021, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such policies set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Board of Directors had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Board of Directors present throughout said meeting.

N WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Corporation this day of North last

Secretary to the Sunset Lake LDC