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Ad Hoc Broadband Committee

**June 15, 2020
Meeting 20-01**

The Committee convened in Council Chambers at 2:40 p.m.

PRESENT WERE: Councillor Nancy Jones, Councillor Darlene Walsh, Helen Bilodeau

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Jock Pirrie and Clerk/Administrator Debbie Tonelli

Helen and Nancy provided history respecting their membership on the Huron North Community Economic Alliance (HNCEA) Broadband Task Group (BTG). Provision, to HNCEA, of the BTG Summary & Recommendation regarding of the RFP for Broadband Infrastructure and Service Improvements, discharged the mandate of the BTG. Although the BTG had made a recommendation to hire one of the two companies that had made a submission to the RFP, the HNCEA chose not to hire either party. The HNCEA is now seeking membership for a new Broadband Advisory Committee.

The Committee discussed the mandate of the HNCEA.

The Committee discussed the concept of a regional broadband network.

Moved by: N. Jones-Scissons

Seconded by: H. Bilodeau

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee recommends to Council that it consider drafting a collaboration agreement to establish a regional broadband network for consideration by the communities along the north shore of Lake Huron, similar to the Northeast Superior Regional Broadband Network. Carried.

The Committee adjourned at approximately 4:30 p.m.


Chair


Secretary