

Meeting: Connectivity Committee
Date: August 26, 2021
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers/Webex

The meeting was held in a hybrid in-person/electronic format with Committee Members and staff participating as indicated below.

Attendees: Tom Marks, Warden and Committee Chair (in-person)
Dominique Giguère, Councillor and Committee Vice Chair (electronic)
Duncan McPhail, Councillor (electronic)
Mike Andrews, Community Member (electronic)
Justin Pennings, Community Member (electronic)

Regrets: Joshua Kiirya, Community Member

Staff: Julie Gonyou, Chief Administrative Officer (electronic)
Brian Lima, General Manager of Engineering, Planning & Enterprise (in-person)
Jeff Brock, Director of Information Technology Services (in-person)
Jeremy Sharkey, IT Coordinator (electronic)
Cecil Coxen, IT Manager – Township of Malahide (electronic)
Katherine Thompson, Supervisor of Legislative Services (in-person)
Jenna Fentie, Legislative Services Coordinator (in-person)
Carolyn Krahn, Legislative Services Coordinator (in-person)

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The Connectivity Committee met this 26th day of August, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor McPhail
Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

RESOLVED THAT the agenda be approved.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Councillor Giguère	Yes	
Councillor McPhail	Yes	
Mike Andrews	Yes	
Justin Pennings	Yes	
Joshua Kiirya	Yes	
Warden Marks	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.

3. Adoption of July 22, 2021 Minutes

Moved by: Mike Andrews

Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

Resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Councillor Giguère	Yes	
Councillor McPhail	Yes	
Mike Andrews	Yes	
Justin Pennings	Yes	
Joshua Kiirya	Yes	
Warden Marks	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None.

5. IBI Engagement – Report Delivery – Director of ITS

The Director of ITS presented a report regarding the expected deliverables from IBI with respect to their study *Internet Connectivity and Broadband Analysis, Assessment, and Proposed Solutions*.

6. Presentation – Elgin County Options Analysis – IBI Group

IBI Group provided an overview of technical options including fibre to underserved areas and fibre to towers and deployment of fixed wireless; governance and funding options; and an analysis of the options.

7. Report – Internet Connectivity and Broadband Analysis, Assessment, and Proposed Solutions – IBI Group

IBI Group reviewed in detail available information and datasets relating to Internet Service Providers and Internet Speeds in Elgin County; technical options; and governance and funding options for an Elgin County connectivity solution.

8. Report Discussion – Director of ITS

The Director of ITS led a discussion on the technical and financing options as presented by IBI group. The Committee directed staff to present a follow up report on funding options. Based on funds available to support a connectivity solution, the Committee will request further information on their preferred technical option.

9. Correspondence

None.

10. New Business

None.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The Committee will meet again on September 9, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

12. Adjournment

Moved by: Justin Pennings

Seconded by: Councillor Giguère

RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

Recorded Vote

	Yes	No
Councillor Giguère	Yes	
Councillor McPhail	Yes	
Mike Andrews	Yes	
Justin Pennings	Yes	
Joshua Kiirya	Yes	
Warden Marks	Yes	
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- Motion Carried.

Julie Gonyou,
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk.

Tom Marks,
Chair.