



Governing Board Meeting

September 23, 2026, at 7:00 pm

Location: Virtual via Teams and In-Person at LCPC Conference Room 52
Portland Street, Morrisville, VT

DRAFT MINUTES

7:0x pm - Call to Order: Andrew Ross called the meeting to order and took roll call.

Committee Members Attending

(V=Present and Voting, P=Present, A=Absent)

Town	P/V	Representative	P/V	Alternate
Belvidere	A	Tyler Barber		
Cambridge	P/V	Sam Lotto	A	Matthew McCabe
Eden	P/V	Carey Earle		
Elmore	P/V	Brian Evans-Mongeon		
Hyde Park		<i>Vacant</i>		
Johnson	A	Paul Warden		
Morristown	P/V	Jane Campbell		
Stowe	P/V	Stephen Friedman	P	John Woods
Waterville	P/V	Jeff Tilton		
Wolcott	p/v	Andrew P/v		

Other Lamoille FiberNet attendees: Colette Jurnak, Treasurer; Lisa Birmingham, LFCUD
Consultant **Public/Guests:** None

7:04

7:05pm — Agenda Changes

- None

7:06 pm — Public Comment

- None

7:06 pm — Chair's Update

- This agenda is a transition into what next year's agendas will look like, with a few grant items (transition) and operational and oversight items (future).
- Sustainability progress – We've made a great deal of progress, which you'll see in detail in the 2027 draft budget. Thanks for everyone for working through the email changes (lots of expertise from Carol Fano), and to Jane for her website transition work. We will talk about VCUDA membership discussions as well.

7:07 pm — Operations Update

- Lisa reviewed Fidium's confidential Q2 NPS Report, escalations, and the recent outage. The internal report from Fidium explaining the outage on 9/10/2026 was distributed to the Board. She said there have been very few issues and most customer issues have been resolved. Andy shared the communication about the outage from Fidium. The communication was technical and Andy will ask questions on a call with Fidium on 9/24. Jeff added that the reliability for the last three years has been excellent and this is our first major outage and it was beyond our immediate area to greater New England footprint.
- Fidium completed their Wolcott build on time and on-schedule and potentially under-budget. Waiting for invoice from Fidium. It is a fixed-price contract so there is no risk.
- NEKCV provided a report on their progress
 - See "Wolcott Communication map 090126.pdf"
 - Our funding accelerated when the make ready applications went in for the entire area, though some of those have taken an extraordinarily long time due to the disagreement between Hardwick Electric and CCI/Fidium.
 - The orange area in the accompanying map was built and is waiting for BEAD funding for the last mile to hook up the addresses.
 - Fidium made a decision to fund the green area of the map themselves.
- Lisa reviewed the status of long drops.
- VCBB Grants – Lisa reviewed the reports, which are in the meetings folder.
- There was discussion about technical difficulties opening the links for tonight's meeting. Solution: sending attachments versus using links during this transition.

7:33 pm — Sustainability Plan Update and Actions

- Andy referred to the 2027 draft budget where we have recognized achieving the cost reduction targets we planned for, and which have us achieving our go-forward funding beyond 2027. Our Microsoft costs will go down substantially and LCPC will take on some tasks in 2027.
- Jane provided an update on the website that LCPC is now hosting for us, as well as the remaining steps and timeframe for the full transition. We have reduced the content to the minimum requirements needed.
- Geana is working with Lisa to take on compliance reporting that pertains to post-grant requirements.

7:xx pm — Treasurer's Update

- Colette presented the Treasurer's Monthly Financial Report, noting that the budget for 2026 is unchanged from what was originally passed.
- The \$15k town donation from Wolcott is proposed to be transferred to NEKCV to supplement long drops in Wolcott. The Zero-Cost Internet Install Program (ZIIP) is available to households with priority to households with incomes below 400% of the federal poverty level and those with service currently available who haven't connected due to high drop costs.

Motion: xxx xxx moved to approve the transfer of Wolcott's \$15k town donation to NEKCV to pay for long drops in Wolcott supplementing NEKCV's Zero-Cost Internet Install Program (ZIIP) funding. Seconded by xxx xxx. Motion passed.

- Colette reviewed the 2027 Draft Budget

Motion: xxx xxx moved to accept the 2027 Draft Budget as presented. Seconded by xxx xxx. Motion passed.

8:xx pm — Governance

- **Bylaws?**

8:xx pm — Other Business

Approval of Prior Board Minutes

Motion: xxx xxx moved to approve the June 2026 Governing Board Meeting minutes. xxx xxxx seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

8:xx pm — Future Agenda Items:

Next meeting is Wednesday, 11/11/26 at 7pm.

8:38 pm — Adjourn

Having exhausted the agenda, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by xxx xxxx 9/xx/2026.