

The Midcoast Internet Coalition (MIC) meeting streamed from and recorded by The Town of Camden, including LiveStream, Broadcast on Town of Camden YouTube Channel.

Midcoast Internet Coalition Meeting

Oct 13, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Zoom Link:

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Participants:

Chair: Debra Hall (Rockport); Vice Chair: Matt Siegel (Camden)

Representatives:

Camden: Marc Ratner (SB), Jeremy Martin (Planning Director), Lisa Sheprow

Cushing: Craig Currie (SB)

Hope: Sarah Ann Smith (SB), Brian Powers (SB), Melissa Foster Hall

Lincolntonville: Josh Gerritsen (SB), Jordan Barnett-Parker (SB), Steve Koltai

Northport: Shelley Patten (SB), Jamie Ritter, Ann Frenning Kossuth, Brady Brim-DeForest

Owls Head: TBD (SB), Jacob Post, Jason Philbrook, Kim Slawson

Rockland: Ben Dorr (City Council), Nathan Davis (CC), Tom Luttrell, City Manager

Rockport: Denise Munger (SB), John Strand (SB)

South Thomaston: Walter Reitz (SB), Cliff Dacso, Lynne Canavan, Anne Just

Thomaston: Zel Bowman-LeBerge(SB), Diane Giese (SB), Greg Hamlin, Brian Doyle (Econ Dev Director)

Union: Adam Fuller (SB), John Gibbons

Invited Guests: (October 2021)

Brooksville: Abbie McMillen

Isle au Haut: Charlie Hopkins

Peninsula Broadband Coalition: Donna Beninati, Jerry Wetterskog, John Czuj

Searsmont: Peter Milinazzo (SB), Chris Halsted

Southwestern Waldo County: Bob Kurak (SB)

St George: Jeff Boulet(BB)

Vinalhaven: Gabe McPhail, Jan Ann Sherman, Matt Jablonski (Island Institute)

Western Kennebec Lakes: Joe Young, Kathryn Woodsum, Eric Dyer

Wiscasset/Lincoln County Broadband: Carla Dickstein

Camden National Bank: Steve Matteo

2. Action Item – Motion to Approve Sept 8, 2021 Minutes

Attached are the draft Sept 8, 2021 minutes

3. Report by Leadership Team

- Designing a first phase “pathway” project to unserved and underserved (status of Knox County grant application and EDA)

- MCA and ConnectME, updated information
- 4. MIDC Regional Utility Update**
 - Thomaston and Rockland/First BOD mtg TBD
- 5. Axiom Technologies planning study / network design Discussion**
Update: With first draft information arriving
- 6. Project Funding – Updates and discussion**
 - Seed Money Strategies (Rockport muni funds, Knox County, EDA regional grant, private donations)
- 7. MIC Community and Regional – Updates**
MIC member towns and guests are asked to update the MIC on their broadband activities.
- 8. New business / Adjournment**

Please note: Future / Regular Meetings for 2021

The group set future meetings for the second Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. as follows:
Nov 10th Dec 8th