

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

Nov 10, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

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), Melissa Foster Hall

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

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 (BB), Brian Doyle (Econ Dev Director)

Union: Adam Fuller (SB), John Gibbons (BB)

Invited Guests: (November 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 Oct 13, 2021 Minutes –

Attached are the draft Oct 13, 2021 minutes

3. Report by Leadership Team–

- Knox County update
- EDA grant application state, MCEDD
- MCA and ConnectME, updated information

- Future of MIC/MMBC (proposed municipal lobbying group)
- 4. MIDC Regional Utility – Update and discussion Items**
 - Four town operational/organizational meetings
 - Thomaston and Rockland additions to the utility and the BOD
 - 5. Axiom Technologies planning study / network design – Discussion**
 - Union feasibility study delivered
 - Core 4 feasibility study final report by 11-16-21
 - 6. Project Funding – Updates and discussion**
 - Seed money strategies/Meet with third party vendors/Branding and pre-subscription
 - 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:
Dec 8th