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**Southern Tier Network, Inc.**  
**June 9, 2022**  
**STN Conference Room/Zoom Meeting**  
**Board Minutes**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Board Members:** Carl Hayden; Howard Zingler; Nonie Flynn; Jim Osborn; Steve Wilber; Marcia Weber; Aaron Dowd; Alan Eusden, Fonda Chronis; Mark Rogus; Chelsea Robertson; Judy McIntosh; Jack Wheeler

**Management:** Tony Marzolino, Jeff Gasper, Steve Manning

**CALL TO ORDER** – the meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM by chair Marcia Weber.

**1. Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of the May 12, 2022 board meeting were approved with the following addendum based on a May 17 electronic vote by the board following up on a contingent approval at the May 12 meeting: “On May 17, 2022, by a unanimous electronic vote, the board approved the Tioga County Town of Nichols project for NYS ConnectAll funding, agreeing that the project is appropriately vetted and ready to go ahead.”

The minutes with the addendum were approved on a motion by Jack Wheeler, seconded by Fonda Chronis, and carried.

**2. Executive Session**

On a motion duly made (Hayden/Wilber) and carried, at 10:09 AM the board went into **executive session** for discussion of contractual, financial, and customer-specific information in the areas of sales and marketing and governance.

On a motion duly made (Wilber/McIntosh) and carried, the board came out of executive session at 11:00 AM **with no action being taken**.

On a motion duly made (Wilber/McIntosh) and carried, the board agreed to extend an offer of employment to the search committee’s recommended candidate.

**3. Outside Plant Report**

Steve Manning reviewed the Outside Plant Report that he emailed prior to the board meeting along with the agenda.

On a motion duly made (Wheeler/Hayden) and carried, at 11:06 AM the board went into **executive session** for discussion of contractual, financial, and customer-specific information in the areas of sales and marketing and governance.

On a motion duly made (Wheeler/Robertson) and carried, the board came out of executive session at 11:18 AM **with no action being taken.**

**4. Governance Committee Report**

Marcia reported that the committee discussed Professional Services and a Customer Service item.

**5. Grant Funding Discussion**

NYS ConnectAll Program – Jeff and Steve provided the board with an update on the ConnectAll/NYPA pilot project with the Town of Nichols. ConnectAll and NYPA held a press event on Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Sherburn Electric Office in Sherburne, NY to announce the four pilots, including the Nichols build.

Chelsea provided an update on the ARC-sponsored Town of Caton wireless grant.

**6. Other** – Steve shared information on the *ST-8 Upstate Rural Broadband Conference*, scheduled for June 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Double Tree Hotel, Binghamton, NY, inviting board members to attend and to let him know so that STN can register them.

The next STN board meeting will be held on **Thursday, July 14, 2022.**

**ADJOURN** – On a motion duly made (Robertson/Wilber) and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Manning  
CEO, STN