

THE TOWN OF IRVINGTON PLANNING COMMISSION

Broadband and Cell Service Subcommittee MEETING Irvington Town Office, 4203 Irvington Rd. Irvington, VA Thursday, June 26, 2025; 12:00PM Draft Minutes

Attendees: Phil Robinson, Michael Schmid, Julie Harris, Tom Chapman. Member Fran Westbrook was excused.

- 1. After some discussion our objectives are:
 - a. Broadband: To allow remote work of residents find a path to fiber optic to the home for the entire Irvington Community. Document the Town's Internet and cell services on Town website.
 - b. Cell Service: identify the quality of cell service in Irvington and identify ways to enable residents and tourists to have quality service. (it appears that T-Mobile service in town is essentially non-existent.
- 2. Broadband: Michael will lead effort assisted by Fran and Charles.

Actions:

- 1. Michael to write to Keith Kidd to apply for Lancaster County Broadband Authority (LCBA) eat.
- 2. Michael to write email to contacts provided by Phil to Breeze line concerning:
- A: Learn timeline of fiber drops at residences in Irvington and where we have fiber optic in town at this time.
- B: Ask for corrosion issue fixes in front of local and mentioning that if they are not fixed in time the businesses will be forced to switch to All Points
- 3. Michael to reach out to All Points to check what exactly their fiber run through Irvington consists of and if it is possible to get connection for businesses on 200 and possible town wifi (which then will be coordinated with Phil)
- 4. Michael working with Fran and Charles to create a page on the town website describing Internet connectivity options for residences including the possibility to use Starlink as a cost effective backup solution for residences working remote.
- 3. Cell Service: Phil will lead assisted by Tom Actions:
 - 1. Cellular coverage is improving for Verizon...in some parts of town. Continue to press for closer towers. Town has submitted tower applications to all three providers late last year.
 - a. Phil to contact Verizon and AT&T for their mapping of current cell service and their plans for upgrading.
 - 2. Consider Cellular mapping, depending on what we get from providers, if we want to go that route, likely would only be accepted by a carrier if done by a professional service.
- 4. Next Meeting: October 23, 12PM at the Town Office

5. Motion To Adjourn by Phil, second Michael all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Tom Chapman, Chair