



Minutes of Regular Board Meeting  
October 8, 2024

Attending:

RANA Board: Leslie Straughan, Gary Sickler, Robert Day (absent), Jason Melvin (absent), Ron Cash (absent)

Advisory Members: Valeri Jacoutot (Secretary), David Saacke (Treasurer)  
Others: Dan Grim

Ms. Straughan called the meeting of the RANA Board to order at 2:05 PM, noting that a quorum did not exist with two members present.

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of minutes delayed until next November due to the absence of a quorum.

Treasurer's Report:

Mr. Saacke reported on the September financial reports.

Mr. Saacke reviewed and approved the September bank statements and reconciliation reports.

Mr. Saacke reviewed and approved the monthly disbursements for September. Approval of Monthly Expenditures is delayed to the November meeting due to the absence of a quorum.

Approval of the August monthly disbursements that was delayed to the October meeting pending clarification on one of the disbursements that was incorrectly labeled on the report. This approval is now delayed to the November meeting due to absence of a quorum.

Operations Report:

Ms. Jacoutot reviewed the network operators report submitted by WideOpen Networks.

Ms. Jacoutot reported that the issue of a water leak inside the building caused by runoff from external building downspouts has been resolved with a temporary fix.

Generator has an issue with small animals climbing inside for warmth. FSI has identified a fix and will correct it during their next quarterly maintenance visit.

Outside Plant:

Ms. Jacoutot reviewed outside plant activities.

Old business:

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Ms. Jacoutot and Mr. Sickler provided a status report on action items from the strategic planning session to identify the total revenue opportunity for revenue opportunity for colocation services at the RAP.

Ms. Jacoutot confirmed the procurement process followed by RANA should be in alignment with Rockbridge County's process.

Ms. Jacoutot made a recommendation to the board for the replacement of the Data Center Expert system that monitors power usage for RAP facility for the data center's colocation customers. The recommendation is to move to Schneider Electric's cloud-based monitoring service. This change will require that RANA purchase an additional Juniper switch. RANA can trial the service free for 60 days utilizing RANA's existing switch. The full implantation of the service will require the new switch to be purchased and installed. Mr. Sickler is working with Ms. Jacoutot to prepare for the trial service.

New Business:

Ms. Leigh Evans, Executive Director for the Shenandoah Valley Technology Council, visited the RAP data center for a tour and is interested in working with Ms. Jacoutot to promote the facility.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 PM. The next regular meeting of the RANA Board is Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

Approved:

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Valeri Jacoutot, Secretary

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Leslie Straughan, Chairperson