

Broadband committee resolution
June 26, 2018

Whereas, the broadband committee has reviewed all available options currently before the town to address its need for high speed internet service, and

Whereas, the committee has evaluated each option in terms of its ability to address the four priorities of the selection process, specifically,

- Competitive total cost to subscribers,
- Minimized cost to taxpayers, if possible,
- Minimized risks to town, and
- reliable service over time, and

Whereas, the committee presented these options at a town-wide informational meeting and answered questions and heard comments from attendees,

Whereas, the Committee discussion of this meeting of June 26, 2018, as documented in the full minutes clearly provides evidence that Charter is the most favorable and least risky approach for the Town, and one that provides robust internet service at fair prices to our residents; therefore, it is

VOTED: To recommend that the Town request that MBI enter into a Grant Agreement with Charter Communications on behalf of the Town of New Marlborough; and, further that the Board of Selectmen begin the process for completion of a Cable Franchise Agreement with Charter Communications.