



Washington Economic Development Committee
Tues, Nov 13, 2018 Meeting
Notes

Agenda:

> Washington by the Numbers – An Update – Wayne Hileman

Wayne Hileman made the first of three presentation – Dec and Jan planned – covering key descriptors of the Washington Community. The summary of demographics is below:

- Washington's current population is about 3500 and headed below 2500 by the year 2040.
- Our current median age is about 55 and headed toward 60 by the year 2040.
- Washington's working-age population is projected to drop dramatically over the next generation. If this occurs, providing essential services will become the Town's greatest challenge.
- Demographics may not be destiny. These projections assume that current and past conditions will persist.

> Gigabyte/WIFI Depot – Jay Hublebank

Jay Hublebank reviewed the investment and operator costs to provide WiFi services to Washington Depot. The service would be provided via line-of-site from the Town Hall cupola.

Installation Costs for Wi-Fi down Bee Brook Road				Installation Costs for Wi-Fi in the Depot			
Purchase and Installation of Hardware				Purchase and Installation of Hardware			
Equipment		23,054.87		Equipment		3,818.66	
Personnel		10,000.00		Personnel		10,000.00	
Total		33,054.87		Total		13,818.66	
Set up in the Old Town Garage				Run Fiber to Town Hall			
Elect hook up		750.00				35,000.00	
Shed		2,500.00					
Heat/AC		1,500.00					
Electrician		1,750.00					
Misc.		500.00					
Total		7,000.00					
Run Fiber to Town Hall		35,000.00					
Total Installation Costs		75,054.87		Total Installation Costs		48,818.66	
Equipment for Wi-Fi down Bee Brook Road				Equipment for Wi-Fi in the Depot			
Equipment	#	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Equipment	#	Unit Cost	Total Cost
Ubiquiti Air Fiber HD Modules	6	2,999.96	17,999.86	Ubiquiti Unifi AC Mesh Pro AP	4	112.50	450.00
Ubiquiti Unifi Mesh AP	24	99.00	2,376.00	Ubiquiti Unifi Mesh AP	12	99.00	1,188.00
Ubiquiti Unifi POE Switches	3	193.33	579.99	Ubiquiti Unifi POE Switches	2	193.33	386.66
Ubiquiti Infiniti Router	1	1,499.00	1,499.00	Ubiquiti Infiniti Router	1	1,499.00	1,499.00
Misc. parts	1	600.00	600.00	Misc. parts	1	295.00	295.00
Total			23,054.87	Total			3,818.66
Annual Costs				Annual Costs			
	Monthly	Annual			Monthly	Annual	
Tower Lease	250.00	3,000.00		Gig lease	1,200.00	14,400.00	
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Customer Service	200.00	2,400.00		Tech Support	200.00	2,400.00	
Tech Support	200.00	2,400.00		Total	1,600.00	19,200.00	
Total	1,850.00	22,200.00					
Business leases	10	20	30	Business leases	10	20	30
Monthly Costs	185.00	92.50	61.67	Monthly Costs	160.00	80.00	53.33

> Washington Senior Center – Organizing a Conversation on Aging

Dan Sherr reviewed his recent attendance at a Woodbury Senior Services planning session. The process involves the review of senior services – those needed, those currently provided and improvements to the services. It is a major undertaking. The question was raised to whether it is needed by Washington and is it appropriate for the WEDC to lead the effort. The consensus was yes on both questions..."If not us, who?"

WBA Passport – Lisa Stein

Lisa Stein provided samples and reviewed the distribution plan for the Washington Passport booklet. It provides a listing of all the “brick & mortar businesses in Washington referring them to the Town ExploreWashingtonCT.com website for details on a business of interest to the reader. 6000 are being printed with the schools – The Gunnery, Montessori, Rumsey Hall being primary distributors. Distribution will start late November.

> Colors of the Litchfield Hills

Dan Sherr indicated that the Colors of the Litchfield Hills website has been launched. Mark Lyon remind us that NH COG was supporting CivicLift’s Discover the Litchfield Hills. Dan Sherr indicated that we supported their launch and did not view it as “competitive”.

www.colorsoflitchfieldhills.com



> Bee Brook Park – Update

Dan She provided an update of the Town’s support for the Bee Brook Park.

- > Planters installed by the Town crew
- > Planters transferred to Town by the WGC
- > WGC/Aspetuck Gardeners maintain planters
- > Picnic tables ordered
- > OK by Booth’s to maintain at Park over the winter