

Upper Valley Economic Council

Meeting Minutes: June 19, 2017

Next Meeting: Monday July 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was brought to order at 7:05 pm.

Present: Alvin Theriault, Lois Eash, John Owens, John Qualey, Peter Qualey and Jeff Packard.

Guests: None

Minutes: It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the minutes of May 22, 2017.

Treasurer's Report/Sign Warrants: Office Manager Packard presented the Treasurer's report for June 19, 2017. The Board voted to approve the report as read. The Board signed the warrants.

Amendments to agenda: None

1. **Broadband/Fiber Optics:** The Board discussed the Municipal Owned Broadband presentation held on Tuesday, June 5, 2017 at 7 pm. Pioneer BroadBand CEO Tim McAfee stated that if we can get 100 residents from Sherman & Stacyville to sign up with a \$25.00 deposit, they would borrow the rest of the funding to go along with the \$150,000 that UVEC has from ConnectME to finish every street and road in Stacyville & Sherman. Tim said that he would do a presentation and UVEC would get as many citizens to attend. Chairman Qualey & Office Manager Packard will ride around every road and street in Stacyville & Sherman and record the homeowners who do not have fiber optics in order to contact them for the presentation. UVEC will also work towards getting citizens to sign up that do not attend the presentation.

2. **Grindstone Land Transfer:** No update

3. **Jill Ducharme Update:** No update, did not call in.

Office Manager's Report:

Food Pantry Report for 6 -'17:

57 Households Served, Sherman – 26 Households, Stacyville – 17 Households
Other Towns - 14 Households. There were a total of 137 people, 50 of these were senior citizens, 24 were children, and 63 adults. We have 20 volunteers with a total of 751/4 hours as of 6-19-'17.

Mellissa of Calculations adjusted QuickBooks so there can be clean reports for the various accounts.

The School Budget passed.

UVEC Business Guides have been printed out and placed in Sherman, Stacyville & Patten.

New Business/Other:

Business up-date: Several Lunch Wagons have started up in the area

Scenic Byway: The next meeting will be 7-13 -'17 and will be a phone conference.

UVEC RBEG Update: Over \$29,000.00 available to lend out to Businesses.

Sherman Boralax Plant: No Update

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

John Qualey, Treasurer
