

WWS BOARD PACKET - JUNE 14, 2016

ITEM XV

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Jerry Martinez requested that the technology question on last year's ballot be again place on this year's ballot. I suggested to him that funding and tower placement would likely be issues. To examine other solutions, I asked Jerry to put together a small committee to specifically figure out if there are federal, or private grant monies out there. Additionally, I suggested he try to get above the "bean counter" level with several internet providers.

Jerry and his committee have taken on that task and have been working through the issue. They decided against tower idea. In fact, one of the committee members was opposed to the tower idea. What The committee may have stumbled on, however, is the potential of receiving service over copper. Frontier Communications has taken over all the copper from Verizon. Jerry was able to speak with one of the company's top managers. While the specifics are not yet known, there is a possibility that Frontier may be able to offer high speed, low, or no data cap service to WWS. If this becomes a reality, there would be no capital outlay required from the POA. Frontier would simple install the proper connections and then each home owner would go directly to .frontier if they wanted service.

This is very preliminary, but I wanted to let everyone know what is going on.

Van  
Sent from my iPad