

Approved

June 11, 2018

May 19, 2018
Town of Taghkanic
Town Board Meeting

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9:30 am: The Taghkanic Town Board held its Saturday meeting on the above date at the Taghkanic Fire House. Supervisor Ryan Skoda opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, and moment of silence.

Present: Ryan Skoda Supervisor
Arthur McGuire Board Member
Richard Skoda Board Member
Linda Swartz Board Member
Joyce Thompson Board Member
Cheryl Rogers Clerk

Absent:

Supervisor Ryan Skoda apologized on behalf of Jason Sheldon who was unable to make this meeting, but Jason did provide us with a map.

- Light green represents Phase I
- Dark green represents Phase II
- Orange represents Phase II
- White represents un-granted areas
- They plan on running the lines in the NYSEG areas of the town. National Grid is not cooperating at this point.



Gtel Dashboard Report for May

Connecting our community

Project Objective: The purpose of this program is to build a Fiberoptic Fiber network by 2020 for all town residents and the entire town as identified by the 2016 Comprehensive Plan.

Work efforts completed:

- 200% completion of all miles constructed includes efforts of Contracts 1, 2, and 3 with Subcontractors
- Installation of power required being finished
- Contract 3 Phase 3 leading completed
- Phase 3 general letters received

Work efforts in progress:

- Procurement of necessary power equipment installed in the Clermontville Central Office.
- Finalizing the installation of power and network equipment in other remote serving locations.
- Apply for the right of way for the fiber lines and the associated conditions state Area, right-of-way, and easements for the fiber lines and the associated conditions state Area, right-of-way, and easements for the fiber lines.
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- Waiting on delivery of general utility agreement for Phase 3 materials.
- Awaiting approval of all work related requests by related to our Phase 3 materials.
- Awaiting for Subcontractors to be completed.

Risks:

- Meeting the required schedule and deadlines as defined by NYSEG, due to the complexity of the efforts and multiple subcontractors.
- Regional weather conditions may impact or slow the build out and installation of fiber.
- Finalizing the design - right-of-way, easements and other utility agreements are needed for the fiber lines and the associated conditions state Area, right-of-way, and easements for the fiber lines.
- Procurement of necessary power equipment and other utility agreements are needed for the fiber lines.
- Finalizing the design for the fiber lines and the associated conditions state Area, right-of-way, and easements for the fiber lines.

Town Status:

Town	Total Miles Available	Miles Reserved	Total Miles Constructed	Miles Constructed to Date
Clermontville	550	50	50	50
Cadogan	600	50	50	50
Clermontville	1475	200	200	200
Lebanon	1400	0	0	0
Taghkanic	750	0	0	0

Construction Progress Completed:

Contract Award	Contract Award Date	Contract Award Status	Total Construction
Phase 1	5/25	100%	50%
Phase 2	5/25	100%	50%
Phase 3	10/15	100%	100%

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Board Member Arthur McGuire: recapped Jason’s presentation at the May14th Town Board Meeting and entertained question and comments from those present. Copies of the following documents were made available:

- **What is Fiber Optic Network Project all about**
- **GTel Fiber Preregistration Form**

GTel is a small company and committed to the Town of Taghkanic, I have seen them working in our town. GTel will provide broadband, TV, and phone services. We were asked to tell everyone to go to GTel’s website to fill out a Preregistration Form. As Ryan mentioned, National Grid is not cooperating at this time; GTel has to get permission to attach their fiber lines to the licensed pole owners (National Grid, NYSEG or Verizon). The Town of Livingston will be the last to be connected because of National Grid. That section is necessary for the final link between Taghkanic and GTel equipment in Germantown.

GTel what’s this Fiber Optic Network Project all about?
We’re glad you asked! Frequently Asked Question see attached.



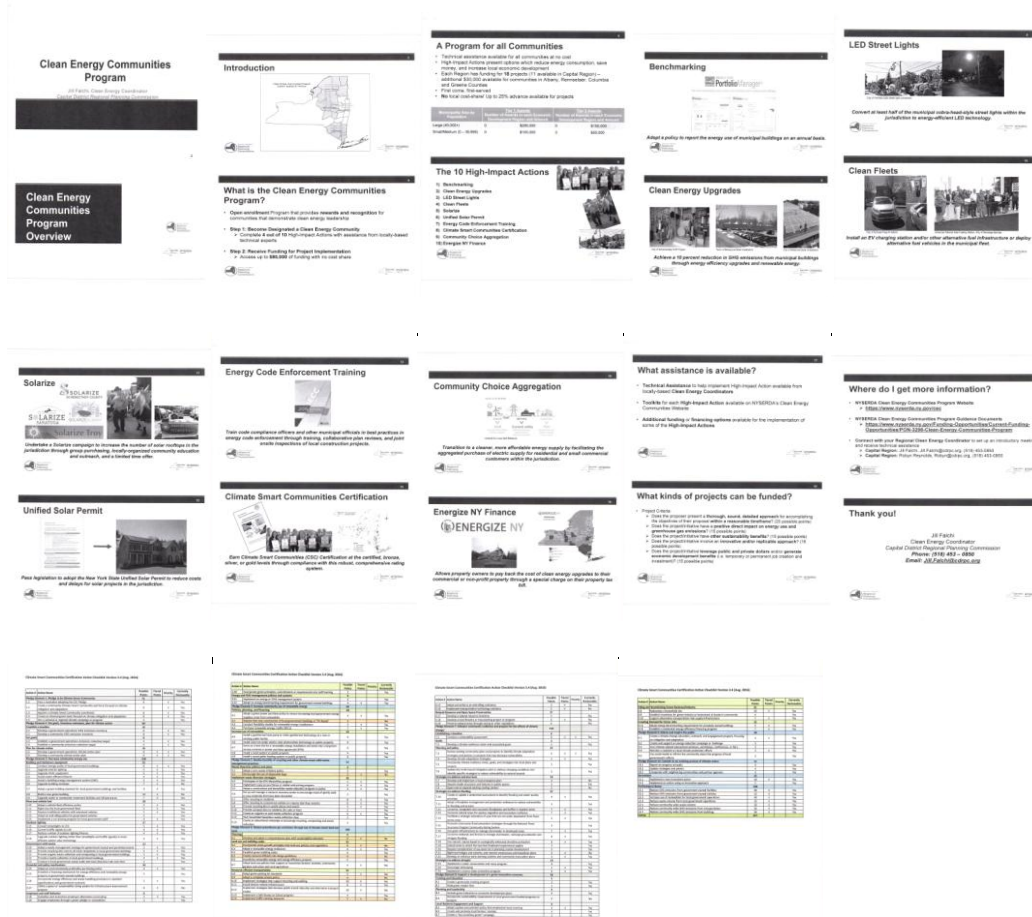
GTel Fiber Preregistration Form



- ✚ Debbie Colgrove: GTel is a great company. Is there anything residents can do to help GTel as far as National Grid?
- ✚ Board Member Arthur McGuire: I agree with your assessment. You can write to the Public Service Commission, and or the Governor.
- ✚ Larry Kadish: The phases aren’t important at this point anymore. Connection will happen, no matter what Phase. I am disheartened with the problem with connection in Livingston as it will hold up connection for us.

Supervisor Ryan Skoda is there any further questions concerning GTel? None

Anna Kadish introduced Jill Falchi, Clean Energy Coordinator, Capital District Regional Planning Commission. Jill provided everyone present with the following hands outs and discussed Clean Energy including what the Town could do to participate in the Clean Energy Communities Program.



Supervisor Ryan Skoda: are there any further questions or concerns?

- ✚ Tony LaSalvia: will the Highway Dept. be sweeping and cleaning up the debris from winter?
- ✚ Board Member Joyce Thompson: yes, they have asked to borrow the Town of Gallatin chipper and they have been out sweeping.
- ✚ Tom Mirabelli: when will the old garage be removed?
- ✚ Supervisor Ryan Skoda: the ground work is happening now, a certified company needs to abate the asbestos in the window frames and the roof; and then the building can come down.

With no further business, on a motion by Board Member Linda Swartz, seconded by Board Member Arthur McGuire, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am, carried

unanimously by all members present. The next Regular meeting will be **June 11, 2018** at the Taghkanic Town Hall.

Audience:	Anna Kadish	Larry Kadish	Debbie Colgrove	Ray Colgrove
	Tony LaSalvia	Chris Tallackson	Jeff Tallackson	Valerie Hoffman
	Tom Mirabelli	Erin Edwards	Susan Raymond	John Clarkson
	Harriet Shur	Nicole Friedrich	Toby Butterfield	