

## Harrison Internet Meeting

Harrison Town Hall

October 12, 2023 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM

- Topic: A Lincoln County Broadband Commission has now been created as part of Economic Development and replaces the County Board Committee. The Commission met in September. While fourteen people attended the first meeting more community input is being sought.
- The Commission members reviewed the first draft of a **County-wide Broadband (BB)Plan** which can be accessed as well as the minutes.
- Internet Service Providers (ISP's) – Charter/Spectrum plans to start deployment towards the South and East of the County. No further information given when they will connect everyone in their census blocks.
- Continued Speed testing encouraged to monitor speeds being provided by the ISP's. Perhaps putting a notice in the tax mailings would get the word out. The form itself could be simplified. Currently it is a bit wordy
- Several complaints from the Community arose about not being able to get service from Frontier, from the following areas: Mail Route, Pickerel Lake, and Long Lake
- Broadband adoptability a major component to BB deployment. Getting infrastructure in the ground won't be useful if people don't use it. Furthermore, ISP's are not going to expand fiber to areas where there are not enough user to justify the costs of laying fiber.
- Our FB page followings have increased. Perhaps putting in highlights of the meetings and just inserting a link to the full minutes would be a better use of the page