



## Agenda Item Summary

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**File ID:** 23-0572

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**Meeting Date:** 3/7/2023

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**PLACEMENT:** Consent

**TITLE:**

**LOCAL TECHNOLOGY PLANNING TEAM APPOINTMENTS**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

After solicitation of applicants, the Board is asked to appoint and confirm appointments to the Local Technology Planning Team.

**DEPARTMENT:** Administration

**PREPARED BY:** **Name:** Donna Gordon  
**Title:** Administrative Services Program Coordinator

**REQUESTED BY:** George Stokus, Assistant County Administrator

**PRESET:**

**PROCEDURES:** None

**BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:**

The Local Technology Planning Team (LTPT) was created via Resolution No. 22-4.10 in accordance with Section 288.9961(4)(b) Florida Statutes. The LTPT shall have the duty and responsibility to advise/make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners and staff in matters affecting the advancement of broadband service and infrastructure in Martin County.

The LTPT shall:

- A. Work with rural communities to help the communities understand their current broadband availability.
- B. Locate unserved and underserved, as defined in Section 288.9961(2), businesses and residents.
- C. Identify assets relevant to Broadband deployment.
- D. Build partnerships with Broadband service providers.
- E. Identify opportunities to leverage assets and reduce barriers to the deployment of broadband Internet services in the community.

The LTPT shall be comprised of 12 members, appointments are made by the Board of County Commissioners, and the membership is as follows:

Martin County Administrator or designee  
Martin County Library Director or designee

Martin County School District representative  
Martin County Health Care Provider representative  
Martin County Chamber of Commerce Representative  
Martin County Tourism Director or designee  
Business Development Board representative  
United Way of Martin County Representative  
City of Stuart Representative  
Martin County Park and Recreation Director or designee  
Local Broadband & Internet Service Provider representative  
Village of Indiantown representative

The term of each member shall be determined at the time of their appointment. At the initial appointment to the LTPT, the terms of office of the members shall be for 4 years, except that three of the members first appointed shall be designated to serve terms of 1, 2, and 3 years, respectfully, from the date of their appointments, and all other members shall be designated to serve for terms of 4 years from the date of their appointments. A vacancy occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. Each member shall hold office until his or her successor has been appointed and has qualified.

An Information Release soliciting applicants for the Local Broadband and Internet Service Provider representative and the Martin County Health Care Provider representative was emailed via Constant Contact to the Outreach Martin and Local Media which includes local Chambers of Commerce, local businesses, and citizens (nearly 2,300 recipients). The Information Release was also posted to the County's web page under News.

The Administration Staff will advise the applicants of the Commission's decision which will include Sunshine Law information to the appointed individuals.

#### **ISSUES:**

None

#### **LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:**

To the extent this item contains legal issues; it has been reviewed for legal sufficiency, however, it is primarily a matter of Board policy.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Move that the Board appoint the following to the Local Technology Planning Team for terms to begin immediately:

George Stokus - Martin County Administrator or designee - March 6, 2024  
Riki Donnelly - Martin County Library Director or designee - March 6, 2024  
Todd Adrian - Martin County School District representative - March 6, 2024  
Michele Libman - Martin County Health Care Provider representative - March 6, 2025  
Kevin Kryzda - Martin County Chamber of Commerce Representative - March 6, 2025  
Nerissa Okiye - Martin County Tourism Director or designee - March 6, 2025  
Joan K. Goodrich - Business Development Board representative - March 6, 2026  
Carol G. Houwaart-Diez - United Way of Martin County Representative - March 6, 2026

Mick Jacobson - City of Stuart Representative - March 6, 2026  
Kevin Kirwin - Martin County Park and Recreation Director or designee - March 6, 2027  
Barry McLaughlin - Local Broadband & Internet Service Provider - March 6, 2027  
Taryn Kryzda - Village of Indiantown representative - March 6, 2027

Move that the Board authorize the Chairman to sign the Resolution of Appointment.

**ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

*Pull* this item from the Consent Agenda and direct staff accordingly.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

None

**ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

None

**DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget Transfer / Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Chair Letter | <input type="checkbox"/> Contract / Agreement  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grant / Application         | <input type="checkbox"/> Notice       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                      |                                       |  |

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