## **Technology Committee Internet Project Status**

## January 2023

<u>The Jacksonport Technology Committee</u> initially known as the Jacksonport Ad Hoc Technology Committee was formed in February 2022. Committee meetings were held weekly. Additional meetings have been held with other town and county committees.

The goals of the committee are to:

-Determine the best technology options for implementing a comprehensive fiber-tothe-premise (FTTP) for the entire town.

-Explore potential partnerships for implementation of the plan with possible business models for operating the system long-term and on behalf of the town.

-Explore financial models for funding the project to include local, state and federal funds, and business partners.

The committee chairperson reports at each monthly meeting of the Jacksonport Town Board.

Rob Edmundson presented an update, via power point, at the Annual Jacksonport Town meeting on April 19, 2022. (Which is available on the Town's web site)

Four internet service providers – Charter Communications, Door County Broadband/Bertram Communications, Frontier Communications and N-Sight/Cellcom were interviewed by the committee and provided additional requested information about their company proposals to the committee. A rating criteria form was established to rate each internet service provider. This form is included in the October 18, 2022, power point presentation packet.

Frontier Communications was recommended to and selected by the Jacksonport Town Board to be the company to provide broadband services to the residents and businesses in Jacksonport for a total cost of \$3,500,000, with Frontier Communications paying 50% of the costs of the project.