



**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD  
BROADBAND TASK FORCE AGENDA**  
**County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois**  
Wednesday, July 30, 2025 - 3:00 p.m.

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Shields-Carter Meeting Room  
Bennett Administrative Center  
102 E. Main St., Urbana

**Committee Members:**

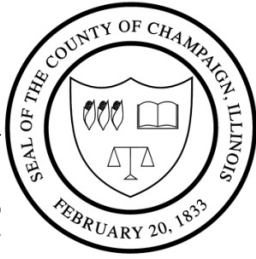
Stephanie Burnett  
Jon Cagle  
Matt Sullard – Vice-Chair  
Bailey Conrady - Chair  
Lorraine Cowart

M.C. Neal  
Mike Smeltzer  
Eric Thorsland  
Jeff Wilson

**Agenda Items**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Approval of Agenda/Addendum**
- IV. Approval of Minutes**
  - A. March 10, 2025
- V. Public Participation**
- VI. Communications**
- VII. New Business**
  - A. Update from Volo (*information only*)
- VIII. Other Business**
  - A. Date of next meeting
- IX. Chair's Report**
- X. Adjournment**

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**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD**  
**BROADBAND TASK FORCE AGENDA**  
**County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois**  
Monday, March 10, 2025 - 6:30 p.m.

Shields-Carter Meeting Room  
Brookens Administrative Center  
1776 E. Washington St., Urbana

**MINUTES – Subject to Approval**

Members Present: Bailey Conrady, M.C. Neal, Mike Smeltzer, Eric Thorsland, and Jeff Wilson

Members Absent: Stephanie Burnett, Jon Cagle, Samantha Carter and Lorraine Cowart

Others Present: Kait Kuzio (Grant Coordinator), and Megan Robison (Recording Secretary)

**Agenda Items**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Conrady called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared present.

**III. Approval of Agenda/Addendum**

**MOTION** by Mr. Thorsland to approve the agenda; seconded by Mr. Wilson. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

A. December 17, 2024

**MOTION** by Mr. Smeltzer approve the minutes of December 17, 2024 as amended; seconded by Mr. Neal. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

**V. Public Participation**

None

**VI. Communications**

None

**VII. New Business**

A. Resolution Waiving Broadband Easement Filing Fees for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)-Funded Projects in Partnership with the Champaign County Clerk and Recorder

**MOTION** by Mr. Thorsland to recommend County Board approval of a resolution waiving broadband easement filing fees for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)-funded projects in partnership with the Champaign County Clerk and Recorder; seconded by Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Smeltzer mentioned that the fiber being laid for this project is open access and will benefit any future companies that want to expand in the same direction, not just Volo. Ms. Conrady thanked the County Clerk and Recorder for his partnership with this. Mr. Wilson asked how many fees will be waived and Ms. Kuzio explained that it is approximately 600 parcels and around \$31,000 in total. Mr. Smeltzer stated that this could be counted as an in-kind contribution for future grant applications.

Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

**VIII. Other Business**

A. Date of next meeting

Chair Conrady doesn't believe they need to schedule another meeting at this time.

**IX. Chair's Report**

None

**X. Adjournment**

Chair Conrady adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.