

Adhoc Technology Committee

5/9/2022

Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Daniel LaValley (note taker)

Dan Breen

Ed Gibson

Megan Gentile

Chris Fowles

Kim Florek

David Rooks

Guests:

Adam Reiser

Presentation with Final Site Adam Reiser - Website development 6:00 PM

-> is this part of a package or extra? its extra but you can choose the level to which is migrated

-> We are given a dedicated project manager which will help us choose the site map.

help us figure out our layout.

-> the site layout is done by levels. we have control over those layers/layout

-> shown theme library

Link will be sent to Ed from Adam who can distribute it to the team

-> 3 months to develop/create/implement

But this is up to the town, where 5 hours a week needs to be dedicated.

Design costs - approx. \$8,000

Average time for a town is 5 months for a town.

-> conversion cost

-> yearly costs

Approx. \$6,000 - \$7,000

which gives access to the Composter tool.

-> is there a method to handle citizen tickets - like a pot hole to tell the high way department about.

yes, the Ellington CT website was shown.

-> if there are no budgeted fund in budget and we cant pay the website would be taken down.

Presentation CSS ventures - John Shannon III Network & Security - 7:00 PM

-> Installed the server straightened out computers in the policy department

-> Ed has been working with John with perhaps 9 years.

-> Johns Shannon's comment were more to say, move away from cloud-based services.

unless there is no important reason you are paying yearly for Microsoft. or you can pay one time.

-> with networks with 10 users or more it tends to break even to have a local support system.

-> Johns claims MS 365 data isn't secure?

No more or less secure then housing your email on your own servers.

Interestingly enough he uses Microsoft remote desktop, although he has concern with thier security.

-> what exactly is John proposing isnt clear, is he saying

Concern that having data would become unavailable if the town were to stop paying Microsoft for 365.

-> If everything is local for backup storage, then they have to use Microsoft Azure from the cloud.

-> office 365 is more expensive...

-> Going cloud would be more expensive than holding data locally.

-> Cost benefits of Local software vs. cloud based approaches

what server centric applications do we have in town hall???

-> Financial software

If you are no longer bound to the server then cloud based is the better solution.

John Shannon services the police station

the Police station has its own server

IMC is the program that runs the town for the licensing per year.

John provides free services to the town.

network-engineering.com

Discussion of VOIP

Ed says we are all set. Chris Sorenson sent info TPX.

Chris says what he really needed to start

we need a milestone schedule - to avoid the "laptop" timeline.

Action - Ed to ask for milestone status plan.

Discussion of consolidated IT support for cost savings to town.

-> The hope is to have a consolidated Ticket system to support the town.

-> To do this it is a full-time job.

-> Novus IT Cyber security, they were going to replace server and virtualization of server and would be performing backups.

-> Disaster recovery will be performed by Novus.

-> UPS backup

-> replace server

-> Novus going to make sure all the groups are setup.

To save money the town we consolidated.

1. define RFP (doesn't force us into choosing the lowest cost)
2. provide it to number of vendors
3. to choose service provider

Team: Megan, David, Chris.

use what art had written up as a starting place.

Schedule next Meeting

May 23rd, next meeting.

Adjourn Meeting