

Decorah Telecommunications Utility Board Meeting
Monday, December 10, 2018 – 5:30pm
City Hall Council Chambers

Minutes

Members attending:

Anna Norris
Bruce Butters
Jarrad Walter
Lydia Andersen
Paul Mattson

Others in attendance:

Chopper Albert
Peter Sherp
Paul Scott
Phil Iverson

Discussion and update on feasibility study

Doug Dawson from CCG was available via conference call. Dawson provided an overview of his business plan update. Mattson asked about the level of support Dawson is prepared to state in regard to the community's ability to support a fiber network. Dawson stated he is prepared to show Decorah would support formation of a utility. Dawson did state he believes the Board should continue with their pledge card campaign.

There was general discussion on financing options and partnership. Albert noted he would continue to discuss other financing options with various partners.

The Board also directed Albert to begin discussions with the MetroNet Board on partnership options.

Update, discussion, and possible action on community survey and pledge card program content

There is continued interest amongst the board to keep collecting pledges. The board wishes to continue with the door-to-door campaign and also would like to implement a phone bank campaign. The board noted it might be best to start up with the campaigns after the first of the year.

Approval of minutes

a) October 8, 2018

Motion by Norris and second by Mattson to approve the minutes from October 8, 2018.

No further discussion.

Roll call vote; motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

Seeing no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56pm with motion and second by Butters and Andersen respectively.

Respectfully submitted

