Decorah Telecommunications Utility Board Meeting Monday, March 9 – 5:00pm City Hall Council Chambers

Minutes

Members attending:

Paul Mattson Jarrad Walter Lydia Anderson Peter Sharp

One seat remains vacant

Guest: Cory Carpenter

Others in attendance:

Chopper Albert Chad Bird

Discussion and update on communications utility

Albert provided an update and introduced ImOn representative Cory Carpenter. Carpenter shared insight into what he envisioned in a public private partnership between ImOn and the Decorah Telco group.

Option #1, and the most discussed option included a city build-out of the infrastructure and network and an ImOn lease of the system and their control of administration and operations.

There was general discussion about how involved the telco board might be in such an arrangement and general conversation about network design.

Albert and Bird noted the biggest obstacle for the telco utility and the city is funding. There was some discussion of revenue versus general obligation bonds and financing.

Approval of minutes

a) December 9, 2019

Motion by Mattson and second by Andersen to approve the minutes from December 19, 2019. No further discussion.

Roll call vote; motion carried unanimously.

Other business

There was no other business.

Adjourn

Seeing no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm with motion and second by Sharp and Andersen respectively.

Respectfully submitted

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