

Minutes

Iowa City Telecommunications Commission

November 30, 2017 – 4:00 P.M.

City of Iowa City Cable TV Office, 10 S. Linn St. - Tower Place, Level 3A

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:00 P.M.

Members Present: Derek Johnk, Paul Gowder, Matthew Brenton

Members Absent: Laura Bergus

Staff Present: Ty Coleman

Others Present:

Recommendations to Council: None

Approval of Minutes:

Brenton moved and Gowder seconded a motion to approve the November 27, 2017 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve comments to the FCC regarding net neutrality:

Johnk asked if there were any necessary edits to the letter that had been written by Laura Bergus and Paul Gowder on behalf of the Telecommunications Commission, which contained comments to the FCC on the topic of net neutrality. Johnk said he was happy with the content of the letter. Gowder moved and Brenton seconded a motion to approve the letter for presenting to the Iowa City City Council, in hopes of gaining its support before submitting to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and area legislators. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentation of approved comments to the Iowa City City Council, FCC, and other parties:

Johnk noted that Coleman had prepared a memo to the City Council to accompany the letter. All commissioners expressed that they were happy with the memo. Coleman suggested that one commissioner could come to the December 5, 2017 City Council work session, where Council would be given the opportunity to support the comments by agreeing to be added to the signature of the letter. Coleman said that one or two commissioners may be able to answer any questions that Council might have about the issue. Brenton said he would plan to attend the work session.

Adjournment:

Gowder moved and Brenton seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Adjournment was at 4:06 p.m.