

INDEPENDENCE TELECOM UTILITY

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

December 22, 2022

Call to Order: A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Independence Telecommunications Utility was called to order at 9:15 a.m. on December 22, 2022 in the administrative office building. Chairman Lance Fricke presided. Present at the meeting via audio/video or in person were Trustees Mike Lenius and Jerry Stelter. Absent; Michelle Burke and Amber Hunt. Also, present were Kevin Sidles, Seth Modderman, Sara Wilson and Lans Flickinger. Votes were unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

Consent Agenda: Inclusive of the minutes of the November 17, 2022 public hearing and minutes of the November 17, 2022 regular meeting, Bills #17002, #19999, #20670-20699; electronic payments #8804653-4699 and direct deposit advice #9903157-3172; Month end and operations reports were approved with a motion by Lenius, second by Stelter.

Business Conducted: 1) No public request or comment. 2) Wilson reported meeting with PDCM for Insurance Renewal; Staff preparing and completing tasks related to end of year; Insert notifying customers of cable rate change effective January 1, 2023 was included in the December 7 statements. 3) Hearn reported tie blankets that were won at the November training event were donated to West Village Center; Jingle on Main Phone Booth was a success; Preparing updated brochures for the internet service changes. 4) Modderman reported **Internet** updates: a) No change in C4 Utilization from last month; b) Calix Utilization up slightly from last month; **Construction** updates: a) Fiber Conversions are in full swing; 190 conversions complete. **Outage** updates: a) None; **Phone** updates: a) Looking into Stir/Shaken (FCC requirements); **Cable TV** updates: a) No upgrades currently scheduled; **Internet** updates: a) None. 5) Modderman reported upcoming items: **Construction:** a) Continue working on conversions. b) Preparing for 2023 build. **Cable:** a) Continue any C-BAND moves. **Internet:** a) None. 6) Old Business – None. 7) New Business – Internet Service Changes presented by Sidles. 8) Motion by Stelter to approve the changes as presented and add the Residential Gig Service as a new service offering, second by Lenius. 9) The next regular Board meeting will be Thursday January 19, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. 10) An upcoming meeting has been set for Thursday February 23, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. 11) Lenius moved to go into closed session at 9:25 a.m. to discuss competitive information, Iowa Code 22.7(6), second by Stelter. 12) ITU back into regular session at 9:27 a.m. with a motion by Stelter, second by Lenius. 13) Moved for adjournment at 9:28 a.m. with a motion by Lenius, second by Stelter.

Lance Fricke, Chairperson

Mike Lenius, Secretary/Treasurer

Date Approved