

Meeting Minutes

TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, March 7, 2000 - 6:00 P.M.

City Conference Room - 1515 Strongs Avenue Present: Chairman Rackow, Aldermen Phillips, Walther; Commissioners Curtis, Lysne, Patton

Excused: Commissioners Colantonio, Pintar, Wyhuske

Also Present: Mayor Wescott, Telecommunications Coordinator Quirk, Clerk Zdroik, Alderpersons Sevenich, Aldinger; Chairman Holdridge (Hull), President Shibilski (V of Plover), Scott Behn (Charter), Jim Ebenhoe (Charter)

1. Approval of minutes of February 23, 2000.

Commissioner Patton moved, Alderman Walther seconded, for approval of the minutes of February 23, 2000.

Ayes, all, nays, none. Motion carried.

2. Resolution on Cable TV Preemption.

Senate Bill 385 and Assembly Bill 747 preempts local governments from providing telecommunications and Internet services and from owning telecommunications facilities. The bill restricts options for municipalities to provide service demanded by taxpayers when private companies are unwilling to meet the demand.

Chairman Rackow read a letter sent to Senator Kevin Shibilski on Cable TV Preemption, a copy of which is hereto attached.

Commissioner Curtis moved, Commissioner Patton seconded, to go on record that the Telecommunications Commission is strongly opposed to Senate Bill 385 and Assembly Bill 747.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Date, time, and location of next meeting.

The next Telecommunications Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 23, 2000, at 6:00 P.M., City Conference Room, 1515 Strongs Avenue.

4. Adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(e) to discuss franchise negotiations.

Alderman Phillips moved, Commissioner Patton seconded, to adjourn into closed session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chairman Rackow, Aldermen Phillips, Walther; Commissioners Curtis, Lysne, Patton,

Nays: None. Motion carried.

5. Adjournment - 8:10 P.M.

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