



City of Madison
Meeting Minutes - Draft
BROADBAND
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
REGULATORY BOARD

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Thursday, August 16, 2007

5:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 103A (City-County Building)

1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm.

2 Roll Call

Present: Michael W. Rodgers, Judy Compton, Robert J. Toomey, Jeffrey J. Richter and Cynthia J. Laitman

Absent: Ken W. Pritchard

3 Public Comment

Also in attendance were Tim Vowell, Charter's local Vice-President of Government Relations, and Charles Uphoff, Executive Director, WYOU. No one wished to comment on any matter that was not already part of the agenda.

4 Approval of Minutes - Meeting of July 19, 2007

A motion was made by Compton, seconded by Rodgers, to approve the minutes. The motion was passed by acclamation.

5 Status of IPTV Franchising in Wisconsin

A motion to approve a resolution supporting the efforts of TeleTruth Wisconsin was made by Compton, seconded by Laitman and approved by acclamation.

6 WYOU June - August 2007 Reports

Charles Uphoff, WYOU Executive Director, delivered a written report on WYOU's recent activities. It was suggested that WYOU provide the Board with detailed budget information in advance of the 2008 City Budget process.

The WYOU Report was accepted on a motion by Compton, seconded by Rodgers and approved by acclamation.

7 Charter Updates

Tim Vowell, Charter's local Vice-President of Government Relations, delivered a brief oral report on Charter's recent activities. Board members asked about the ethnic diversity of Charter's programming. Mr. Vowell reported that this is limited mainly to programming for Madison's Latino community, but he will try to provide information on what programming suitable for the Hmong community may be available. This discussion will be an agenda item for the next BTRB meeting.

Ald. Judy Compton left the meeting at 6:17 pm.

Present: Michael W. Rodgers, Robert J. Toomey, Jeffrey J. Richter and Cynthia J. Laitman

Absent: Ken W. Pritchard

Excused: Judy Compton

8 Requirement for Written Charter Reports

The Board discussed receiving written reports with Mr. Vowell. Mr. Vowell stated that Charter no longer prepares many of the internal reports that the Board used to receive, and that the Annual Report and ongoing written communications (on channel lineup changes, etc) would hopefully suffice. Mr. Vowell also mentioned that the Board should not hesitate to contact him, either directly or through staff, if any questions or issues arise. Charter will attempt to have a representative present at BTRB meetings if only to receive inquiries for later response.

9 Madison City Channel July 2007 Report

City Channel Station Manager Brad Clark delivered a written report on City Channel's July 2007 activities.

The report was accepted on a motion by Toomey, seconded by Laitman and approved by acclamation.

10 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the BTRB is set for September 20, 2007, at 5:30 pm in Room 103A, City-County Building. Staff will contact the Chair approximately two weeks before the meeting to determine an agenda.

11 Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Toomey, seconded by Rodgers and approved by acclamation.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm.