

Regular Meeting May 4, 2011

Location:

City of Champaign Council Chambers 102 N. Neil, Champaign, Illinois

Committee Members Present: Abdul Alkalimat, Rev. Zernial Bogan, Brandon Bowersox, Acting Chair, Mike DeLorenzo, Fred Halenar as proxy for Deborah Frank Feinen, Tracy Smith via phone as proxy for Fred Halenar, Pete Resnick via Skype and Richard Schnuer

Committee Members Absent: Minor Jackson

**I.** The meeting was called to order at 12:11 p.m. by Acting Committee Chair Bowersox.

## II. Roll call

**III. Approve Agenda:** Committee Member Alkalimat, seconded by Committee Member Halenar moved to approve the agenda. The motion was passed by voice vote.

**IV. Approve Minutes:** Committee Member Halenar, seconded by Committee Member Alkalimat, moved to approve the minutes of the April 20th meeting with the following corrections: GIS or GAD should be GIS or CAD. The motion was passed by voice vote.

## V. Action Items:

- a. Grant Required Approvals: None
- b. Approvals of Items Forwarded from the Technical Committee and its Subcommittees: Policy Committee Member Tracy Smith, who is also Chair of the Technical Committee, discussed FTTP construction. Tracy questioned whether the RFP should be construction only or construction and management. Committee Member Halenar asked that this item be added to the next agenda. Acting Chair Bowersox will add to the May18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## VI. Discussion Items:

a. Subcommittee report regarding minority and local workforce issues;
discussion of community benefits language: No audience comment.
Committee Member Schnuer, seconded by Committee Member Alkalimat moved to accept the resolution with the addition of the words "A

majority of the" added in front of the sentence beginning with Advisory Committee. Item was passed by voice vote.

- b. Discussion of pursuing a change order for ring design in order to include a production class facility: Committee Member Schnuer proposed discussing a possible change order to the construction contract, saying that he did not anticipate making a motion at this meeting, but rather, at the next meeting. The Committee discussed the pros and cons of this suggestion. Brittney Eckels from the University of Illinois Purchasing Department expressed the opinion that it is too late for the University to process this change order and there are not funds available. The Committee discussed, in length, the possibilities of a change order to include a production class facility. Mike Smeltzer will work with the next Technical committee meeting to develop a recommendation to the Policy committee.
- c. Update on Lead Agency negotiations and status update: no action.
- **d. Mike Smeltzer update on NTIA bi-Weekly phone conference**: no action.
- e. **Discussion of Timeline** Committee Member Alkalimat asked about hiring for door to door canvassing in the fiber-to-the-premise areas. Committee members discussed this briefly. The discussion included a suggestion that the Committee meet on a more frequent basis to take care of items such as this.
- **f. Technology Committee Report** no action.
- VII. Tasks to complete for next meeting
- VIII. Items for next meeting's agenda
- IX. Public Participation
- X. Board Comments

**XI. Adjournment**: Acting Committee Chair Bowersox adjourned the meeting at 1:44 p.m. The Next meeting will be May 18, 2011 from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Council Chambers, 102 N. Neil Street, Champaign, IL 61820