

**CITY OF COON RAPIDS, IOWA  
MUNICIPAL UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

MAY 18, 2017

The Board of Trustees of Coon Rapids Municipal Utilities met at 7:00 A.M., May 18, 2017 as per posted notice and rules of the Board at the Conference Room – “NOC” Network Operations Center, Coon Rapids, Iowa. Trustees present were Ron Brower, Mary Schwaller and Harry Siegler. Absent: Terry Garnes and Doris Bass.

Motion by Schwaller, Second by Brower with all voting “Aye” to approve the agenda.

Motion by Brower, Second by Siegler with all voting “Aye” to approve the consent items: 4/20/17 Board Minutes, Abstract of Claims #2017-5 in the amount of \$419,367.<sup>08</sup>, RVEC Electric Service Agreement, Financials, Quarterly Reports.

The Board entertained oral requests and communications from the audience.

General Manager’s Report: NIMECA Update, SPP, Basin, Etc. - Line Worker Position - Notices/Statistics.

The Board discussed the GS2 Electric Rate. The Board instructed the General Manager to develop a resolution to modify the GS2 Electric Rate qualification threshold to 10,000 kWhs for the next Board Meeting.

The General Manager updated the Board that 37 networks are now available on the watchTVeverywhere platform and that CRMU has begun marketing the free service to our customers.

2017 FTTH Project

Construction Update: The General Manager reported that as of May 12<sup>th</sup> - 579 drops and 181 vaults have been installed bring this phase of the construction to roughly 80% and 55% complete respectively. JCS started installing fiber inside the duct on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Electronics Update: The Board discussed video service and the results of CRMU’s survey. The General Manager also updated the Board on potential transport options for more economically obtaining video signals in the future. Based upon the survey results and higher costs associated with IPTV – the Board concurred to continue to provide video in the current RF format at this time with the understanding that CRMU will most likely transition into an IPTV format in the future.

Motion by Brower, Second by Schwaller to approve Resolution #2017-6 “Resolution Making Award of Construction Contract” to Goldfield Telecom/Calix for \$448,030.<sup>99</sup> for GPON fiber electronics equipment. Brower “Aye”, Schwaller “Aye”, Siegler “Aye”, Garnes-Absent, Bass-Absent.

The General Manager reviewed FCC requirements associated with battery backup equipment for residential fixed voice services that do not provide line power to their customers. CRMU must inform customers of battery backup options including the cost and availability.

The Board discussed options for extending CRMU’s FTTH network into rural areas. At this time, the Board would consider allowing rural connections if the infrastructure costs were paid by the rural customers. The General Manager also informed the Board that there may be some federal funds available in the near future to help extend broadband to rural areas with the proposed infrastructure bill in congress.

This notice is given at the direction of the Chairman pursuant to Chapter 28A, Code of Iowa and local rules of said governmental body.

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Chairman, Board of Trustees

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