INDEPENDENCE TELECOM UTILITY

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 21, 2023

<u>Call to Order:</u> A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Independence Telecommunications Utility was called to order at 9:21 a.m. on December 21, 2023 in the administrative office building. Chairman Lance Fricke presided. Present at the meeting via audio/video or in person were Trustees, Michelle Burke, Amber Hunt and Mike Lenius. Absent; Jerry Stelter. Also, present were Kevin Sidles, Seth Modderman, Sara Wilson, and Brian Eddy. Votes were unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

Consent Agenda: Inclusive of the minutes of the November 30, 2023 regular meeting, Bills #21082-21116; electronic payments #8805210-5254 and direct deposit advice #9903365–3380; Month end and operations reports were approved with a motion by Burke, second by Hunt.

<u>Business Conducted:</u> 1) No public request or comment. 2) Executive session for Board Evaluation to be held with ITU closed session later in the meeting today. 3) Wilson reported Wieland traveled to Maquoketa for mobile service order training on December 21, 2023; Sidles and Wilson met with PDCM Insurance on December 20, 2023 for Insurance Renewal; Staff preparing and completing tasks related to end of year; An insert pertaining to cable rate changes for 2024 was included in the December 7, 2024 statements. 4) Modderman reported fiber conversions are 70% complete. 5) Old Business – None. 6) New Business –City IT Service discussion. 7) The next regular Board meeting will be Thursday January 18, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. 8) An upcoming meeting has been set for Thursday February 29, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. 9) Burke moved to go into closed/executive session at 9:46 a.m. to discuss competitive information, Iowa Code 22.7(6) and personnel, Iowa Code 21.5(i), second by Lenius. 10) ITU back into regular session at 10:43 a.m. 11) Moved for adjournment at 10:43 a.m. with a motion by Burke.

Lance Fricke, Chairperson

Mike Lenius, Secretary/Treasurer

Date Approved