

City of Spring Hill, Kansas
Minutes of Broadband Task Force
July 8, 2019

A Special Session of the Broadband Task Force was held July 8, 2019, at the Spring Hill Civic Center, 401 N. Madison St., Spring Hill, Kansas. The meeting convened at 7 p.m. with Kate Shupert recording.

Task Members in attendance: Julia Atwell
Mark Bye
Kyle Griffin
Carol Thomas
Brian Peel
Ricardo Cortez

Task Members absent: N/A

City Council in attendance: Andrea Hughes

Staff in attendance: Assistant City Administrator Melanie Landis
Accountant/I.T. Antwone Smoot

ROLL CALL

At 7 p.m., Carol Thomas called the roll of the Task Force. With a quorum present, the meeting continued.

FORMAL ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Minutes: May 30, 2019

Motion by Mr. Bye, seconded by Mr. Peel, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Approval of Minutes: June 25, 2019

Motion by Ms. Atwell, seconded by Mr. Cortez, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 6-0-0.

DISCUSSION

Broadband Initiative update

Ms. Landis spoke with the Maple Ridge HOA president, who expressed concerns of neighbors experiencing a high volume of outages. Ms. Landis provided addresses of affected neighbors to Altice (Suddenlink), which said they would monitor those addresses. Ms. Landis also is hopeful to set up a meeting with Altice to talk about their plans for Spring Hill and the company. Ms. Landis also notified the Task Force that a meeting with CenturyLink's residential division was set for later that week.

Review draft Request for Proposals (RFP)

Ms. Landis provided an outline of the RFP and a map of City facilities to the Task Force for their review.

The outline included items such as goals to provide gigabit data services to all residents and businesses, preferred network attributes, service goals and availability and dark fiber connections to all City facilities with ability to expand among other items. The Task Force was in consensus of the RFP outline but asked Ms. Landis to include a clawback clause. Ms. Landis said a draft of the RFP would go to City Council at its next meeting, Thursday, July 25.

ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Peel, seconded by Mr. Cortez, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Motion passed 6-0-0.

Next Meeting: 7 p.m., Aug. 27 at the Spring Hill Civic Center, 401 N. Madison St., Spring Hill, Kansas.