

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF NEW BERLIN
COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
Wednesday, July 20, 2005
5:00 PM
Council Chambers

Please note: Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Communications Committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Members Present: Alderman Harenda, Alderman Hopkins, member Dave Broker

Others Present: Marilyn Gauger, City Clerk

Alderman Harenda called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

New Business:

Approval of Minutes from the June 15, 2005 meeting

Motion by Dave Broker to approve the June 15, 2005 minutes as printed. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Discussion of review/requirement of a City Public Access Channel

No action taken.

Discussion on the renewal of the Time Warner Cable Contract – Expires 4/25/07

No action taken.

Networking of City Structures – Fiber Optics – Time Warner Contract

No action taken.

Responsibilities of the Communications Committee/Structure/By-Laws

No action taken.

Review City of New Berlin policies for allowing public usage of Council Chambers for meetings, this includes use of AV equipment and broadcasting capability and Resolution No. 96-26 A Resolution Declaring Official Rules For Use of City Hall by New Berlin Organizations

A discussion ensued on the draft policy regarding use of the Government Access Channel. It was agreed that Resolution 96-26 was still in effect.

We went over the letter dated July 7, 2005 from the City Attorney and the attached draft regarding the Government Access Channel.

Alderman Harenda referred to the second last paragraph of the 2nd page. The City Clerk said that the materials appearing on the Access Channel were reviewed before they were showed. David Broker questioned the 10-business day wording and it was agreed to reword that. It was also agreed to reword the paragraph to allow the City Clerk or his/her designee to review the material.

In the last paragraph on page 1 (policy) it was agreed to remove the wording starting with “the Common Council” and ending with “of this policy”. Alderman Harenda pointed out that the Common Council can still request this but the City Clerk’s office will do the previewing.

Alderman Harenda also questioned the wording in the Scope about affording time to all candidates. We agreed that we might want to clarify that.

Alderman Harenda will refer the draft back to the City Attorney for rewrite.

City Clerk Marilyn Gauger presented usage forms to the Committee members. It was agreed that they looked good. These too will be referred to the City Attorney for review and will again be discussed at the next meeting.

Resolution No. 96-26: This resolution is still in effect. The City Attorney will refer to the existing resolution and incorporate a new resolution with the application process as well as the fact the City Government meetings take priority over other meetings and rewording of final authorization for usage.

Adjourn

Motion by Dave Broker to adjourn at 5:30 PM. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

John Hopkins, Alderman
City of New Berlin