

IT Committee Meeting Minutes – 05/23/2024

Present: Larry Youngs (Board Chair), Roy Haeger (Committee Chair), Jamey Francis (Vice-Chair), Mario Loreti, Joe Miller, Danny Gardner. Absent: Roxanne Lutgen.

Meeting called to order at 5:01PM on May 23, 2024 in the County Board Room of the Iron County Courthouse at 300 Taconite St, Hurley, WI 54534 by Larry Youngs.

Request for Public Comment. None.

Larry Youngs called for a motion to elect the committee chair. Jamey Francis/ Mario Loreti nominated Roy Haeger. Jamey Francis/Mario Loreti motioned to close nominations. Motion passed unanimously.

Roy Haeger called for nominations for vice-chair. Mario Loreti/Joe Miller nominated Jamey Francis. Larry Youngs/Mario Loreti motioned to close nominations. Mario 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee discussed changes to employee handbook involving the acceptable use of county IT equipment, software, network, etc. Reviewed proposed changes presented by IT Director Danny Gardner. Jamey Francis/Joe Miller motioned to send the proposed changes to the handbook committee. Motion passed unanimously.

The committee reviewed the IT Director's "County Information on Personal Devices" policy. Director Gardner would like to implement this policy sometime in the future. A discussion was had involving open records requests on personal devices. The committee took no action.

Committee discussed board member's request for a better video conferencing system in the county board room. Danny Gardner suggested the appropriate system would cost around \$3000 minimum and suggested it might be possible to pay for the system out of the current IT budget for miscellaneous hardware but that provisions should be made that it might need to come out of the general fund. Jamey Francis/Roy Haeger motioned that the committee should recommend spending \$3000 for the board room video conferencing equipment as part of the IT budget with the understanding that general funds may need to be used to cover the cost. Motion passed unanimously.

A discussion was had as to the nature of the Iron County Broadband Committee, its relationship to the Gogebic Range Broadband Committee and why it needs to be a separate entity from the IT Committee. Larry Youngs agreed to appoint the following people

to the Broadband Committee – Joe Miller, Roy Haeger, Jamey Francis, Danny Gardner, Julia (Mercer), and Sunny Ofstad (Gurney).

Roy Haeger called for the meeting to be adjourned at 6:55PM.