

Announcement of Meeting Cable Television Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 30, 2025

5:00 PM

Council Chambers

A. Call to Order

A Cable Television Board Meeting was held in the Council Chambers, commencing at 5:01 PM.

Present Dan Nath, Larry Lanphere, Jordan Papik, Josh Nath, and Joshua Tollefson

Absent John Sichmeller, and Pat Saum

B. Oaths of Office

Dan Nath administered the oath of office to Joshua Tollefson.

D. Approval of Minutes of Preceding Meeting(s)

D.1. 2025-218 Cable Television Board Minutes from June 16, 2025

A motion was made by Lanphere, seconded by Papik, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

E. Recognition of Guests

Bill Weber, Lucas Peterson, Shane Plante, Bob Meester, Hope Moural

F. General Business

F.1. 2025-219 Future considerations for cable services in Luverne

Bluepeak representatives Bill Weber and Lucas Peterson reported on conducting 1/2 million dollar upgrades in Luverne that started this year and hope to be completed by the end of the year 2026. A map of Luverne was distributed showing the areas that have been completed and the upcoming schedule for completion in November. The upgrades include network updates, bringing bandwidth up, and upgrading to internet based cable service. The upgrades are done at the pedestals throughout the city as well as upgrading equipment inside the customer's property.

Lanphere explained his personal experience with Bluepeak.

Nath explained his personal experience and frustrations with Bluepeak service at his home.

Nath asked what is in store for the future of cable service over the next 10 years.

Bluepeak replied that they are trying to keep prices low, keep subscribers and compete with other services available. Cable subscribers are trending down as people switch to streaming devices.

Initial cable lines were installed in 2000 in Luverne, which is not considered to be outdated.

Meester explained his experience at home with Bluepeak and high fees associated with service.

Tollefson asked about the customer contract and how service fees are addressed. The contract is available on the Bluepeak website.

Customer service was discussed and who to contact with different issues.

Papik asked if the future needs will be met with the demand. Weber stated they are constantly upgrading the fiber optics to keep up. Peterson stated that is why the current upgrades are being done as well.

Lucas Peterson will be the contact for the franchise agreement renewal with Bluepeak.

G. Other Business, if any

Next meeting will be called in July or August to discuss the Bluepeak Franchise Agreement.

H. Adjournment

A motion was made by Papik, seconded by Lanphere, to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,
Mandy Van Grootheest