

Danville Council Work Study

April 3, 2017 @ 5:00pm

Council President Marcia Lynch called the work study to order at 5:00pm on April 3, 2017 at Town Hall, 49 N Wayne Street. Members present were Jim Stephens, Mike Neilson, Marcia Lynch, Tom Pado and Dennis Wynn. Also present were, Gary Eakin, Nikki Shoultz; Fiber Attorney, Chief Mark Morgan, and Barry Lofton.

Public Meeting

RFI submittals: Endeavor Communications and MetroNet are here to give a presentation to the council on managing the town's fiber and offering internet services to the community.

Steve Biggerstaff with ***MetroNet***. Is a private company based and founded in 2005, out of Evansville, In., serving 56,000 customers in small towns throughout the state. They build and manage fiber optic.

Jay Watkins and Darin LaCoursiere with ***Endeavor Communications***. It is a cooperative company based out of Cloverdale, In., also founded in 2005, providing internet services through fiber to small towns and the rural community of eight counties in the state. Endeavor would be in residential neighborhoods but they would also like to be part of the Danville schools and downtown area.

Nikki Shoultz had follow-up questions for each provider after their presentation. Nikki then will (legal) advises the town which company would be a good fit for the town.

Greg Ternet, CEO of Hendricks Power tells the council that Hendricks Power has partnered with Endeavor to provide future internet services through fiber and poles in rural Hendricks and Putman counties. Hendricks Power has been in partnership with Endeavor for almost a year now and found it beneficial for both parties.

This work study is to partner with the company to provide FTTH. It's important to market the town's fiber to invest and make the fiber available to the community. A decision from council will not be made tonight but at the next meeting April 17th council will discuss and decide.

Adjourn

President Marcia Lynch adjourned the meeting at 6:50p.m.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by: *Marcia Lynch*

Jennifer I. Percy, Clerk-Treasurer

Marcia Lynch, Council President

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