

CITY OF KENOSHA – TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes – June 10, 2009

A meeting of the Technology Committee was held on Wednesday, June 10, 2009 in Room 202 of the Kenosha Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by Chairman Ray Misner. The following members were present: Vice Chairman Michael Orth, Alderman David Bogdala, And Alderman G. John Ruffolo. Alderman Don Moldenhauer was previously excused. City Administrator Frank Pacetti was present.

It was moved by Alderman Bogdala, seconded by Alderman Ruffolo, to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 25, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

1. City of Kenosha Website Update

Alderman Orth would like to see email form on the individual aldermen's pages of the website; also the actual email addresses should be displayed. Mr. Pacetti stated staff would make these adjustments and notice all the aldermen to review the changes prior to making it public. Alderman Misner spoke on the RFP, which Frank said should be ready for distribution next month.

2. Webcasting of Council Meetings

Mr. Pacetti spoke briefly about the Stevens Point website. They video record all committee meetings, not just council meetings. All services are outsourced at a cost of approximately \$300,000. In order to webcast Kenosha Council meetings only, an initial investment of approximately \$20,000 would be required along with a monthly fee of \$1,400. Alderman Misner suggested looking into www.12milesout.com. Alderman Orth said we should be able to use local avenues to accomplish this. Mr. Pacetti will get figures together by September.

3. Discussion on ComSys and Future IT Department

Alderman Misner would like to see the City create their own IT department. He suggested that if we bring ComSys into the City it would save money. Alderman Bogdala wants to make certain they have figures from all contracts that ComSys has with us so they can make appropriate decisions at budget time. Ruth Schall spoke and explained that they originally became an outsourced company to save the City money and they have always had the City's best interests in mind. Ed St. Peter spoke in favor of ComSys and said he does not believe it would be economical to make ComSys a City department. Mr. Pacetti will prepare a complete analysis as requested by September.

4. Technology Committee Intern Program

Alderman Misner would like to get interns for the IT Department specifically for program design. The students would get credit for it plus have on-the-job experience. There may be a federal grant for this. Alderman Misner will collect additional information and forward it to Administration.

Other Business: Alderman Orth asked about the Zimbra implementation status. He also requested that a computer station be made available for easy access by all aldermen.

There being no further business to come before the Technology Committee, it was moved, seconded and unanimously carried to adjourn at 7:21 PM.