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## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BOARD MEETING Minutes September 14, 2023

*Present:* Edward Medeiros Jr., John O'Donnell, Emmanuel Evora, Robin Carbonara on behalf of Aldo Petronio, Neal Fama, Judy Sullivan

Excused: Mark D'Agostino, Christopher Hill

Call to Order: 1:04 p.m.

Minutes from July 13, 2023 - approved

## Old business:

*a*. The camera system updates are moving along much better since hiring an installer within the department. There is a new request to add a camera to Belair and Pleasant Street.

With winter approaching that is when the truck will go in for maintenance and updates.

*b.* Recently interviewed 2 candidates within the IT Center. There was a third candidate that was no longer interested in the position. The 2 that were interviewed did very well. Expecting to have a better update at the next meeting.

The positions for the library fell through. The Library did not budget for any technical people. They are expected to ask for technical positions next year.

*c*. The IT Center is currently working on a schedule. The goal is to start rolling it out to 2 offices at a time starting on October 2<sup>nd</sup> in City Hall. Still awaiting on a shipment of fobs. An informational email will be sent to the departments in advance.

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- *d*. The Wi-Fi project has been stalled. Currently awaiting some pricing from contractors. The Chairman hopes to save money by having the Building Department do the installation.
- *e.* The Mobile Device Management project is moving along. Most of the settings for the devices are finished. They have started deploying MDM on new devices only. Eventually they plan on installing it on old devices too.

## New business:

*a.* At this time there are connection issues with business class internet from Comcast. All 7 accounts went down at once. It is the first time that has ever happened. As a result, the schools weren't able to login to Munis even though their internet was up and running. Presently trying to switch to fiber internet. Only have 1 quote from Comcast so far. Waiting on a quote from Verizon. Looking to start with the high school for 1 gig a month. For 5 gigs it was estimated to cost \$6k a month. The difference between the City and the School Department is the school is reimbursable and the city is not. Right now, the download speed is about 800 mbps which The Chairman was happy with. The only other vendor offering fiber internet is Starlink but the speed was not fast enough.

<u>Announcements</u>: Robin relayed a message from Dr. James Cobbs requesting he be added to the IT Board. Robin will be attending on his behalf. The Chairman said he will look into it before any changes are made.

Adjourned: 1:27 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 12, 2023 @ 1:00 p.m.

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