

The third meeting of September for the Denver City Council, Bremer County, Iowa was held on Monday September 28, 2020 at the Denver City Hall Community Room. Council Members present were Gavin Carman, Sean Hartman, Joel Wikner, Matt Wittenburg. Councilman Mark Richmann was absent. There were 13 people present at the meeting and 35 watching on Facebook Live.

Mayor Diercks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion Wikner, second Carman to Approve the Agenda. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Mayor Diercks welcomed Butler-Bremer Communications representatives for putting on this meeting for Denver. Butler-Bremer General Manager/CEO Richard McBernie introduced members of his staff and started his presentation with some background information on the company. Butler-Bremer Communications have been in existence since 1905 and were primarily a telephone business and got into the internet market in 1996. They would be able to provide internet, television and telephone service to Denver with an all buried network, no aerial plant, and would put a fiber drop to every home and business in Denver. They usually increase internet bandwidths every 18 months with no data caps and true unlimited use. Butler-Bremer Communications is considering a \$3,000,000 investment in Denver, they have 13 total employees and have been based in Plainfield, Iowa since 1905. Based on the survey responses received from Denver they want better internet service than they presently receive, phone service was not very important and they spilt about 50/50 on cable television service. They received a very good response to the survey. They will let the City know by the end of November 2020 whether they will build a fiber system in Denver in 2021.

Motion Wikner, second Wittenburg to adjourn. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None. The City Council Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

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Rod Diercks, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Larry Farley, City Clerk/Admin.