APPROVED

Broadband Advisory Council

Regular Meeting

April 30, 2018

**TIME AND PLACE:** The Broadband Advisory Council met on April 30, 2018 at the Pocahontas Building in Richmond, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Delegate Byron, Chair

 Senator Ruff, Vice Chair

 Senator Carrico

 Delegate Boysko

 Delegate Leftwich

 Delegate Brewer
 Secretary Ring
 Ray LaMura

 Duront Walton
 Rosemary Wilson

Kristie Hemlick Proctor

**STAFF PRESENT:** Chuck Kirby

 Caroline Luxhoj

 Jeff Sharp

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM:** With eleven members of the council present, a quorum was established.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Senator Ruff motioned to approve the minutes from the October 23, 2017 meeting. Mr. Walton seconded. All agreed. Minutes were approved.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**: Jeff Sharp, Division of Legislative Services, provided an update on broadband-related legislation from the 2018 General Assembly session. For a copy of this presentation, please contact Caroline Luxhoj (caroline.luxhoj@cit.org).

**CIT BROADBAND UPDATE**
Chuck Kirby, Center for Innovative Technology, provided an update regarding CIT broadband activities. For a copy of this presentation, please contact Caroline Luxhoj (caroline.luxhoj@cit.org).

**COUNCIL PLANNING DISCUSSION**

The Council discussed agenda items for future meetings. Delegate Byron requested updates regarding the following: VATI, municipal authorities, the Tobacco Commission, the Pamunkey Indian Tribe, CIT’s Smart City efforts, 5G from FCC Commissioner Carr, the transoceanic cables, GO Virginia. Delegate Byron would also like to discuss pole attachments and potential bills for the next session. Senator Carrico requested that the railroad companies attend a meeting to discuss railroad-crossing fees. Senator Ruff requested a presentation from Microsoft to present on their free WiFi program. Delegate Leftwich requested a presentation from Wild Fire regarding their pilot project and expected expansions.

The Council decided that the next meeting will be June 18th at 12pm in Roanoke.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Renee Chaplin (Prince George Electric Coop) said they would like to host the council.

**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 AM.