

Cable Advisory Committee Minutes 10/05/2010

Contributed by Ken Curley
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Minutes of October 5, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Renee Camille at 7:10pm.

Renee Camille, Ken Camille, Ken Curley, Peter Blinn, Gary Garnett and Selectman Scott Bryer were present.

Minutes of the September 7th meeting were approved as corrected.

Renee Camille said that Pat Adams has submitted her resignation.

REPORTS –

Selectmen Liaison – Selectman Bryer informed the committee that the request to purchase equipment presented by the Cable Coordinator at the last Board of Selectmen meeting was not approved. He said the Selectmen had questions about the use of the equipment and about the reserve fund used to purchase the equipment. He suggested that members of the committee attend the next BOS meeting to answer the questions.

LRPA - Ken Curley said the LRPA Board of Directors meeting scheduled for August 27 in Deerfield was cancelled due to lack of a quorum. The next meeting will be 7pm Tuesday, October 26 at the LRPA Studios in Laconia.

Cable Coordinator – Gary Garnett handed out copies of the updated equipment list which he had presented to the Selectmen. Peter Blinn asked about headsets for people on-camera. Gary said that the headsets on the list were dual mode and could be used on-camera. Gary went on to say that even though the cost of the equipment added up to around \$56,000 that he typically gets a 10 to 15% discount when he orders it. The total is high compared to what was purchased before because covering a remote sports event requires a lot more equipment than covering meetings. For instance it requires an intercom system for communications between the person running the production system, the two cameramen on the floor and the commentator. Included in the equipment list is an editing system which will increase production capability so that multiple projects can be produced at a time. Gary said that he was looking for a desk to place the editing system on and a place to store it. Scott Bryer suggested that he include in the equipment list a custom secure workstation desk. The committee discussed the features of available workstation furniture.

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Training, Seminars – Peter Blinn said that training would have to take place after the new equipment arrives. He does not want the volunteers training twice on different systems.

Cable Contract Renewal – Ken Curley updated Scott Bryer on the committee's meeting with Metrocast representatives in June. He told Mr. Bryer that the selectmen need to schedule a public hear to get input about what the public wants in the new contract.

Next meeting is scheduled for 7pm November 9, 2010 at the Community Center.
The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ken Curley

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