#### **DRAFT MINUTES**

# CACSCC MEETING East Haven

02/23/2012

The Cable Advisory Council of South Central Ct Meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Minotti at 7:02 p.m.

Meeting Quorum: 7 Members/ 5 Towns

Those present were: Mark Minotti & Merrill Yelenak, North Haven; Chad Roy, Branford; Bill Biski, East Haven; Joanne Wentworth & Mary Bigelow, North Branford; Tom Dacey, Wallingford; and John Bairos, Comcast Representative.

Those absent were: Peter Hugret & Mary Lyons, Branford; J.T. Tenczar, North Branford; Joel Parker, Guilford

Guests in attendance: Mary Minotti North Haven; John Gingras, Wallingford; CJ Cofrancesco, East Haven; Barbara Corso, Secretary ETV

Mark Minotti thanked East Haven for hosting this month's meeting and called on Bill Biski, East Haven, to say a few words. Bill thanked everyone for coming and invited everyone to walk around and see the facilities after the meeting.

Mark turned the meeting over to John Bairos for the Comcast Report.

## **COMCAST REPORT:**

John Bairos began by presenting the annual \$2,000 check from Comcast to CACSCC.

John informed the Council that 2 complaints were received concerning a Madison resident's credit being applied and a Wallingford resident who complained about installation and upon investigation, it was discovered that the customer terminated service. The complaints were resolved by Comcast.

Comcast has offered free Comcast Service to Abraham's Tent, an organization with North Haven Congregational Church, providing services for transition from homeless to permanent housing.

John informed the Council about the new sport network, now NBC Sports Network, and new channel lineups.

The annual reports from the PEGS were due February 15<sup>th</sup>. BCTV, NHTV, and WPAA submitted their reports. A friendly reminder was given to please hand the report in as soon as possible. Joanne Wentworth, North Branford, inquired about an extension due to a problem with their secretary. John said that it had to be filed with PURA.

Mark thanked John Bairos for his report and for addressing the complaints.

## **REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

Minutes from Dec. 15, 2011 were reviewed and a correction was made to change John Gingras from North Haven to Wallingford. A motion to accept was made with the correction by Tom Dacey, Wallingford; Second by Merrill Yelenak, North Haven. All were in favor.

A motion to accept the The Minutes from April 28, 2011 & June 23, 2011 were tabled to next meeting so that everyone receives a copy to read.

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mark began his report by wishing everyone a Happy New Year. Mark handed 3 pieces of correspondence over to John Bairos, one being a payment and the remaining 2 being were complaints.

Mark gave a bank statement to Treasurer Tom Dacey.

Mark also said that he received an email from Joel Parker, Guilford, and read aloud Joel's email of resignation. Mark then read his response to Joel's email. The Council accepted Joel's resignation with hopes that his spot will be filled in a timely fashion. Merrill Yelenak, North Haven, was concerned with Joel's resignation. Were his previous emails addressed? Mark said that they were. Mark said that pointing fingers of blame is not conducive to creating a team and it should not get personal. Tom Dacey, Wallingford, appreciated Mark's response to Joel and wished him well.

Mark also said that in going forward, the Council will need to discuss what the goals of the Council are, possibly bringing in speakers, and more involvement from the public. He encouraged the Council to write down some ideas for next meeting and stressed working together as a team in addressing issues.

Mark also stated that a check to Rob Proto for the Council's website design was to be paid and still waiting for the debit card to put monthly hosting site charges. Joanne Wentworth, North Branford, said that Janie Patrick, bank manager, has moved to various branches and is now in Madison. She will send another slip to sign.

Mark also said that a thank you card was received from ACM. They thanked the Council for the \$50.00 donation.

Tom Dacey made a motion to accept the Chairman's Report. Merrill Yelenak second and all were in favor.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Tom Dacey reported that there was \$2328.15 in the checking account, 14,619.77 in CD Account making it a total of \$16,947.92. Total cash reserves in the amount of \$19,282.42 less total expenses of \$5621.97. There were deposits made totaling \$3105.00. Tom will contact PURA with final figures. Joanne Wentworth made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Chad Roy second, and all were in favor.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Domain name of CableadvisorycouncilSCC.com comes up for renewal. \$60.00 for 2 year. Joanne Wentworth made a motion to renew the domain name and pay \$60.00 for the 2 year renewal. Bill Biski second and all were in favor.

Tom Dacey was to research WPAA live candid show and saw it. Tom's concern was how powerful the mic was. It is picking up not only the music from nearby Jake's, but also people arguing and every word can be heard. Tom will resend an email to WPAA addressing these concerns and CC Mark Minotti and John Bairos.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mary Bigelow suggested a brochure for the public and to develop a letter with CACSCC logo for appointments to CACSCC to make it more professional. Mark said that these were all great ideas. Merrill Yelenak suggested to table until the Council's goals are discussed. All agreed.

Merrill Yelenak also noticed that The Council & its officers are not listed on any of the government channels from the various towns.

The following dates were set for the 2011-2012 year.

December 15, 2011 North Haven February 22, 2012 East Haven April 26, 2012 Guilford June 28, 2012 Branford

#### TOWN REPORTS

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

## ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Tom Dacey, Wallingford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm; second by Chad Roy, Branford;. All were in favor.

Respectively submitted

Mary Minotti