Cable Advisory Council South Central CT Minutes of Annual Meeting Thursday, June 28th, 2018 7PM

Roll Call: David Weinberg –Guilford, Elise Low-Guilford, Steve Fuest-Madison, John Woods-Madison, Michael Parisi- North Haven, Mary Bigelow-North Branford, Laura Parisi- Wallingford, Tom Dacey- Wallingford – VIA Skype, Margo Hardenbergh- Branford, Alden Mead -North Haven, Guest Abigail White -Madison

Call to Order: 7:00PM

Welcome: Madison, Abigail White - Chairman of Madison Cable Access.

Public Comments: No Public Comments at this time

Review/Accept Minutes from April 26, 2018: First Motion Margo Hardenbergh,

Second Motion Steve Fuest ... Motion Carries with one abstention (Fuest).

Chairman's Report:

Correspondence

Locke & Lord (Comcast); Announcement about breaking out the charge for cable box and remote as a separate charge of \$2.68

monthly starting June 6th and for customers not requiring these can simply drop them

- Locke & Lord (Comcast); Programming changes: Comcast added 43 international channels and 31 international packages on demand.
- Locke & Lord (Comcast); April report of ACH payments to the 7-town franchise.
- Locke & Lord (Comcast); Programming change: Epix movie channel launched in June for \$5.99 a month.
- Locke & Lord (Comcast); Programming change: NFL moved to HD tier off of Expanded Basic

Alliance for Community Media (ACM): Baltimore Conferencen in

Baltimore, Maryland July 11-15th. There was a discussion of sponsoring a council member interested in attending (there was particular interest in fundraising for town access stations). First motion Steve Fuest to cover the expenses of attending the ACM

Conference for a council member. Second Motion Tom Dacey Motion carries. d many other channels.

- Received letter from the Town of Wallingford of renewed appointments to the council for Laura Parisi and Tom Dacey
- Annual Community Access Reports still due from Wallingford, Guilford and Madison
- **Member Comments:** Laura Parisi said that her husband has a new tablet is unable to stream everything that's on TV and vice versa. Michael Parisis said he has a similar issue on his computer. Chairman Weinberg asked them to submit details to him.

Steve Fuest asked Tom Dacey when the 7-town insurance was due. Tom will report back.

Treasurer's Report:

Deposits: \$1,165.00 Expenses: \$973.98 Checking Balance: \$7,180.31 Interest on CD: 4/30- \$5.32 5/31- \$5.50 CD Balance: \$12,978.41 Total Cash Reserves: \$20,158.51 Respectfully Submitted by: Thomas E Dacey, Treasurer.

New Business:

-Annual Meeting Election of Officers

-Nominating Committee report: Dave might be moving by the end of this year, need to come up with a co-chairman, Mary said she couldn't be a chairman because of a prior commitment. Laura Parisi was nominated to cochair in August for the meeting on the 23rd, The rest of the slate is Mary Bigelow Vice Chairman; Alden Mead, Secretary; Tom Dacey, Treasurer. -Council Secretary Alden Mead casted the one ballot vote for the slate.

-Proposed Meeting Calendar (sent to members by email): Aug. 23rd – BCTV; Oct 25 – EHTV; Dec 20- Totoket TV; Feb 28-NHTV; Apr 25 – Madison; Jun 27 – Guilford. Margo motioned to approve the meeting dates, John Woods seconded... the motion carries.

Town Reports:

-North Haven: Alden Mead said North Haven home football games will be livestreamed starting in the fall – and NHTV had a livestream for the Memorial Day

Parade.

- Guilford: Dave Weinberg said Elise Low is a new board member and GCTV had their third student video contest and televised the awards ceremony

-Branford: Margo Hardenbergh said the annual Branford Festival was covered by BCTV complete with interviews and are now preparing for the Tour de Branford. Two new board members: Pat DeMaio and Tom Girard.

-North Branford Mary Bigelow said there's a new show called: "I Wannna Know" hosted by resident Dan Armin – introducing the public with people who work for the town. Totoket TV also has to decide whether to sign a renewal lease or move out of the current location.

Statewide Council Report: -Steve Fuest:: The Legislative Committee reported that the State of Connecticut's General Assembly is going to leave the consumer issue of Net-Neutrality to the federal government for future.

Adjournment:

-Steve first motion, Laura second motion, all in favor, stands Adjourned -Next meeting is scheduled for August 23, 2018 at Branford Community ΤV

Meeting Adjourned: 8:25PM