CACSCC Regular Meeting 10/22/20

<u>Present</u>

Rob Becker, Peter Charland, Tom Dacey, Steve Fuest, Margot Hardenbergh, Laura Parisi, Michael Parisi, David Weinberg, John Woods

Call to Order

7:11pm

<u>Welcome</u>

Mike Parisi welcomes the group to the North Haven meeting via Zoom.

David welcomes new member representing Guilford, Peter Charland. Peter introduced himself and provided a little background information. Peter is also a nominee to the GCTV Board of Directors.

David invited Peter to present at the next CACSCC meeting to talk about the future of virtual meetings and technology post COVID.

Comcast Report

None.

Correspondence

David did receive correspondence from Comcast's lawyer, Lock and Lorde. The letter notified consumers of a courtesy adjustment to their bill for sporting events that were billed for but not broadcast.

Launch of *Revolt HD* and *Aspire HD* channels to the entertainment and expanded basic tiers.

Comcast created a webpage for updated programming contracts which community members can view.

CACSCC Funds Proposal

David spoke of Steve's proposal of a 60/40 dispersal of the CACSCC savings account among the member stations.

Steve explained the chart he created that was sent out via email. Discussion followed about the origins of the funding and whether towns will opt to take their portion of the funding.

More discussion followed on use of the funds for insurance and amount to distribute to the towns.

Peter asked if the council will continue to provide the insurance subsidy to the stations who benefit from it.Discussion followed. It is not a full subsidy and there was some discussion as to whether the subsidy for insurance was needed.

Mike Parisi asked if there was anything the Council could use the money for. Rob asked if we could use money refused by towns as a credit for insurance for those towns.

Discussion followed.

Steve asked for everyone's thoughts.

Some in favor of holding on to the funds and accruing more. Others in favor of dispersing some of it and holding on to some of it.

Steve reviewed how much each town would receive should we disperse \$8000.

Motion to distribute \$8000 of the funds under 60/40 formula made by Steve and second by Tom. Margot asked why we are not distributing all of the funds. Discussion followed. Retaining some of the funds gives the opportunity to subsidize the insurance and/or provides a rainy-day fund.

More discussion followed. Motion carries.

<u>Minutes</u>

David made a correction to the spelling of Margot's name. Motion to accept the minutes with correction made by Tom. Rob seconds. Motion carries.

Treasurers Report

Tom indicated everyone is paid up on insurance. Tom reviewed expenses and funds.

David reminded the group the PO Box is now in Wallingford. Tom manages the PO Box.

Discussion of appointment letters to CACSCC. It appears all letters are accounted for.

Town Reports

Branford, North Branford, and North Haven will do their election coverage in North Branford. Debates are also being held in North Branford.

Madison – None

Wallingford – None

East Haven - None

Guilford – Little new programming. Mostly town meetings and all of it being sent via internet. No meetings from Board of Education. Studio now open by appointment only and limited to three people at a time. GCTV is focused on implementing the PEGPETIA funds.

Public Service Announcements

None.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Next meeting in December and Totoket TV but it will be virtual.

Motion to adjourned by Tom. Second by Rob. Motion carries.

Adjourned

7:57pm

Respectfully Submitted by Shannon Gale