

Cable Advisory Council of South Central Ct, Inc
PO Box 248
Northford, CT 06472-0248

Minutes- October 24, 2019
Location: Madison Cable Access, Madison Ct

Attendance:

Members Present

David Weinberg (Guilford), Mary Bigelow (North Branford), Michael Parisi (North Haven), Steve Fuest (Madison), John Woods (Madison), Rob Becker (East Haven), Laura Parisi (Wallingford), Tom Dacey (Wallingford via phone)

Guests

Abigail White (Madison), Matt Skane (Comcast)

Call to Order: David Weinberg (Chairmen) called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm. 6 Towns are represented this evening with 8 Members Present (Dacey via phone). Abigail White welcomed everyone to Madison Cable Access group studio.

Public Comments: None

Comcast Report: Matt Skane presented the Comcast Report. Matt discussed Comcasts new increased download speeds for customers. Matt discussed Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship program. Matt Discussed Comcast Internet Essentials Program and how it has expanded. Full Report Attached to Minutes

Matt gave an update on some customer correspondence:

- 1) Branford- Sept 10- Billing Issue- Resolved
- 2) Guilford- Sept 10- Billing/Price Issue- Customer to stay on current package for now
- 3) East Haven-Reliability Issue- Issue still ongoing- addressing it
- 4) Guilford- MSNBC- Issue on going- addressing it
- 5) Guilford- New Issue submitted to Matt- Guilford Senior Housing- Matt will review.
- 6) North Haven- Complaint about North Haven Store- Matt stated they were working on improvements and addressing the issues.

Guest Speakers: None

Approval of Minutes of August 22,2019- CASSCC Meeting

Chairmen Weinberg asked if there were any comments or corrections to minutes. A conversation ensued. There were no changes. Laura Parisi made a motion to approve including the addendum. John Woods seconded. Motion passed – 2 abstentions- Steve Fuest, Tom Dacey.

Chairmen Report/Correspondence:

Chairmen Weinberg the following correspondence

- 1) Announcement from Comcast- Moving TCM to Sports Package. Discussion ensued
- 2) GSB- Reorganization Announcement- no action by council
- 3) PO Box was paid- \$118.00 for year

4) Letters of Appointments- Mike Parisi, Alden Mead- North Haven

Treasurers Report: Tom Dacey submitted the treasurers report. Expenses: \$291.98, Checking Balance: \$3085.49
CD Balance: \$11,166.65. Complete Report attached to minutes
Tom Dacey stated the bills for the Liability Insurance went out to the PEGS

Frontier State Council Report- Steve Fuest discussed the last State Council Meeting of October 23 2019.
Highlights included discussion of a long standing customer billing complaint against Frontier. The meeting lasted
about 25 minutes.

Discussion Topics- New Business

A discussion ensued about the FCC Ruling. Matt discussed how Comcast was in a holding pattern so not
determinations have been made to date. This will be an ongoing issue.

A discussion ensued about PEG Petia Funding. Rob Becker gave an update. \$150K per submission is max
submission, no individual submissions. Submission window from November 1, 2019- January 31st, 2020- 7 millions
dollars available

A discussion ensued about the PEG Insurance. Mary Bigelow had asked if PEGS had duplicated insurance that the
council provides. Consensus was that for the most part this was not the case. Guilford still looking into this issue.
Council will continue the insurance for current year.

Mary discussed article she found on net neutrality and states determination of how to deal with this. A discussion
Ensued.

Laura discussed video on New Zealand by a friend of hers. Would like to offer for stations to run. Possible viewing
at December Meeting. David discussed State of Main Archive of Public Access videos will send out information.

Town Reports:

Madison- no report

East Haven- no report

North Haven- Taped the Columbus Day parade in Branford

Branford- no report

North Branford- Finished their commercial program how to sell North Branford, Essex has expressed interest in
doing a video as well. Last night a candidates forum was taped for Town Council election.

Guilford- Marched in the Guilford Fair Parade. Board members marched in parade- 70 style picket signs- young
volunteers. Next year possibly a booth at fair and more filming. Two youth advisers now on Board of Directors.
Discussed great sleep out on Guilford green organized by new youth advisor. Exciting new members.
Grant to replace tricaster- having some technical issues with unit.

Wallingford: no report

A discussion ensued about getting new members for the council Many towns have open spots. Attempt to get more members to join.

Public Comments

Laura discussed Voices of Immigration Presentation at Southern University- Wed November 20th, 1 pm- all invited. Laura will email information about this event.

Reminder- next meeting Thursday December 19, 2019- North Haven Television

Adjournment:

Steve Fuest made a motion to adjourn. Tom Dacey seconded. Passed Unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Stephen F. Fuest