



Meeting Minutes for September 28, 2006

**Meeting convened at Guilford TV**

**Present:**

Branford	John Elliott
East Haven	<del>Marie Saddig</del> , Bill Golambiski
Guilford	<del>Pete Garafalo</del> , Jeff Lincoln
Madison	<del>Stephen Fuest</del>
North Haven	<del>Carolyn Spetland</del>
North Branford	<del>Mary Bigelow</del> , Joanne Wentworth
Wallingford	Susan Huizenga
Library	Ken Donadio
COMCAST	<del>John Bairos</del>
Regrets:	Marie Saddig, John Bairos, Pete Garofalo (with proxy), J. Lincoln
Guests:	Curt Huizenga (Wallingford), Mr. Bigelow (North Branford), Roger Backridge (North Branford)

**I. Call to order/roll call.**

There was no quorum

**3** Towns represented, **4** Members present

**II. Public Comments** none

**III. Review of Agenda: (No quorum; business deferred)**

Roll Call / Welcome / Facility Tour / photos

Public Comments

Log of Correspondence

Review / Accept Minutes

Committee Reports

Comcast Report

Deferred / Old Business

Review Budget / policy questions

New Business

Town Reports

Public Comments & Adjournment

**IV. Minutes Action:** No official action can be taken without a quorum.

- J. Bairos provided notice about inability to attend. Offered that Dan Glanville could attend in his place. Given the attendance prospects and distance to be traveled it was suggested that Comcast did not need to be represented in Sept.

**V. Discussion**

- Members briefly reviewed PEG Policy Questions:
  - Question: Can residents of other towns use PEG Bulletin Board or cablecast without local sponsors?
  - Answer: anyone in the 7 Towns should be treated by each station as a town resident, with regard to bulletin postings, with no sponsor needed. However, PEG Policy can establish resident prioritization for cablecast scheduling similar to local versus not locally produced works prioritization. Shannon reported

- that these policy items were discussed by GCTV and adjustments were made and East Haven residents interested in change were updated.
- Mr. Bigelow asked for details regarding the proposed insurance change, which would offer special liability and special property coverage.  
The current broadcasters policy may be replaced depending on available rates  
Completion of application with timely receipt of data from seven towns, and  
Confirmation that enough towns are interested in the program option.  
Premium rates will be pro-rated by town for coverage available to all towns.  
[Smaller towns already have higher per subscriber compensation so additional adjustments based on station size will not be considered. However, coverage that is not directly applicable like vehicle coverage will be excluded, as applicable.]
  - Comcast Grant Check: Each individual town should have recently gotten a Comcast Grant Check. One more expected in 2006.
  - ACM Reimbursement checks: Chairman Huizenga distributed the ACM Reimbursement checks for ETV to Bill Golambiski and Shannon for GCTV.
  - Discussion of recent Comcast Changes:  
Monthly reports are now in writing  
Copies of quarterly grant distribution to each PEG also in writing
  - Mr. Bigelow reported the North Branford station is in the process of regularizing Channel 19, separating internal classroom use from Channel 19 cablecast use. Totoket TV has a Website. 7TownTV updates provided including link to local site.
  - M. Saddig reported that the name Mr. Wizard contest was well received and winner will be selected at next ETV Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted:  
Elizabeth Frager