



Date: **03/27/08**
 Scheduled Time: **7:00 -9:00 PM MONTHLY** Location: **Comcast Service Center - Branford**
 Call to Order **6:15 PM** Adjourn **7:15 PM Motioned by M.S.**
Seconded by J.E.
 Roll Call **4 towns/entities, represented by 5Members** [Quorum: 4 Towns, 8 Members]

#	Attendees	Town	✓	#	Attendees	Area	✓
	John Elliott	Branford	✓			North Haven	
		Branford				North Haven	
		Branford				North Haven	
		Branford BOE				North Haven BOE	
	Marie Saddig	East Haven	✓		Mary Bigelow	North Branford	✓
	Bill Golambiski (aka) Bill Biski	East Haven				North Branford	
	Frances Foley	East Haven	✓			North Branford BOE	
		East Haven BOE			Susan Huizenga	Wallingford	✓
	Joel parker	Guilford	✓		Beth DeVaney	Wallingford	R
	Pete Garofalo	Guilford	✓			Wallingford	
		Guilford				Wallingford BOE	
		Guilford BOE			Tim Stack	Comcast	
		Madison			C. Huizenga	Wallingford	
		Madison				Guest 3	
		Madison BOE				Guest 4	
4	Ken Donadio	Library	✓			Guest 5	
	John Bairos	Company-COMCAST	✓			Guest 6	

Legend: ✓ attend, R regrets, N No Status, P proxy provided

----- AGENDA TOPICS -----

	Subject	Lead	In Brief
1	Roll Call / Welcome Public Comments	Chairman Site Representative	quorum when John E. arrives
2	Log of Correspondence	Chairman	Reviewed Current Mail
3	Review / Accept Minutes	Advisors	No quorum
4	Executive Committee Report	S.H./ C.S./P.G	Insurance. Treasurer Rpt
5	Comcast Report	J. Bairos	No major Changes
6	Deferred / Old Business (Including Committee Reports)	Advisors	State Legislation -Town Reports
7	New Business / Town Reports	Advisors	Public discloser, political forums

----- MEETING MINUTES -----

Description	
1	John B. gives us the official welcome to Branford Service Center. Introduces us to Tim Stack – Manages Technical Installation Crew. who runs building. Tim, technical house manager for about a year now, gives a short speech about the importance of trying to improve the relationship with the customer.
2	Susan shares good news. Successfully received Media Liability Insurance with expanded coverage for web sites. Purchased at less than Budgeted amount. We came under budget almost 500 dollars. Best case scenario took place. We had planned for worse case but did not need to activate any approved authorizations. PEG Billing will be processed by Treasurer.

	<p>AT&T U-verse checks were supposed to be cut and distributed by March 17th. Since Wallingford check had not been received Chairman Huizenga contacted AT&T. Directed to Bill Turner. E-TV should be expecting a check, delivered in person, for \$778.12. North Branford \$687.57. Guilford \$786.35. Branford \$876.90. North Haven, \$684.82. Wallingford \$3,198.33. Madison expected to receive between 4-500 even though no installations there – related to the 60/40 arrangement.</p>
3	<p>No concerns or amendments for the Jan minutes. Pete moves and Marie seconds to accept Jan Minutes. Francis and Ken are abstentions.</p>
4	<p>Pete hits high points – Insurance came back \$3,677. 75% of insurance will come back from PEGS. Same split as last year. Paid up with Alliance for community media.</p> <p>Operating Statement is before us – with activities described. Marie motions and ken seconds to accept the financial statement. All in favor. Adopted Paperwork is in order – thank you Pete.</p> <p>In losing Jeff Lincoln we lost a vice president secretary position holder – Susan announces vacancy and opens the floor to accept nominations. Marie “asks me next month after the move”.</p> <p>Susan mentions an Alliance for Community Media North East event is in Providence, RI (May 9th and 10th)</p>
5	<p>Jon gives standard report. April 9th Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting. Bob Ward is speaker. In North Branford.</p> <p>No service will change from Comcast for the customer. Some lineup changes. On demand menu addition shalom TV. Israeli BBC. College sports TV now called CBS college sports network. 3 MTV programs moved from digital preferred to digital classic. Available to more at a lower price. DPUC ilays out all criteria for how to determine who gets the money. First issued a final decision on docket 071011 administration guidelines. Decision has been rendered. First grant issued aug 1st of this year.</p>
6	<p>DPUC had a staff change. Head of Cable Unit Mike Coyle – Moved to Customer Service. Vacancy. Temporarily being handled by Peter Pescosolido.</p> <p>State legislation Susan mentions HB 5814 had Public Hearing before Energy Technology Committee. Originally intended to address some gaps in PA 07- 253 passed last October 07. Law represents the official entry of AT&T as official competitor to Comcast. It also deregulated Cable eliminating current franchising process. PEGs are trying to determine how to handle this patchwork legislation that overturns some DPUC proceedings of the past few years, allows U-verse to not meet TV standards, fails to clarify multiple Advisory Councils relations to each other. Etc. Oversight??</p> <p>Susan hands out flyers about amendments to HB 5814 specific to U-Verse. Marie motions that Representative must accept the amendments or CACSCC will work to have the bill are defeated. Seconded by Francis. Pass Unanimously</p> <p>Where does Comcast fall on this bill John? Comcast reluctantly supported the bill. It’s been passed under the energy and tech committee. They can either vote for it or send it to another committee which will open it up again for public hearings.</p> <p>Follow up with local reps suggested like Mushinsky. Transcript for hearing is available on</p>

	<p>Legislative website.</p> <p>Comcast is operating under status quo – susan asks if they are officially required to operate under status quo – john responds there has been no changes – susan asks if there is anything stopping them from making changes – marie asks if there is a takeover will the new company be held to comcasts status quo – john says they can't answer that and that there is a transfer process overlooked by the feds for those situations.</p> <p>Susan – will you be seeking to eliminate basic service because the competitor does not offer the basic tier? John responds – that basic service is mandated by the fcc and they will continue to follow state regulations.</p>
7	<p>On a range of 1-10. 10 being very busy. 1 being hardly any activity. Please rate your station. Branford – 8. East Haven – 20 (Hissing noise for channel 18 follow up with Comcast). Guilford – 7. North Branford – 5. Wallingford 10</p>
8	<p>No public comments. Adjourn.</p>

----- NEXT STEPS / ACTION ITEMS -----

	Description	Assigned To	Due Date
1	Due to ETV relocation provide ATT with Marie cell	Chairman	Next Day After this Meeting
2	Advisors will review web sites for privacy policy page.	Each advisor	By Next Meeting
3	Monitor DPUC Docket	Chairman	As needed
4	Put insurance document on website so it can be downloaded.	Chairman	
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