

## **DRAFT MINUTES**

CACSCC MEETING  
North Branford

10/27/2011

The Cable Advisory Council of South Central Ct Meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Minotti at 7:20 p.m.

Meeting Quorum: 7 Members/ 5 Towns

Those present were: Mark Minotti, North Haven; Peter Hugret, Branford; Mary Lyons, Branford; Bill Biski, East Haven; J.T. Tenczar, North Branford; Mary Bigelow, North Branford; Joel Parker, Guilford; and John Bairos, Comcast Representative.

Those absent were: Tom Dacey, Wallingford; Marie Saddig, East Haven; Merrill Yelenak, North Haven; Joanne Wentworth, North Branford; Chad Roy, Branford

Guests in attendance: Dan Morris, Janet Betta, Mary Minotti North Haven; Walter Mann, North Haven/Branford; Abigail White, Chairperson Madison TV.

Mark called on Mary Bigelow to read an email from Marie Saddig concerning Marie's resignation from the Council. The East Haven Mayor is looking for her replacement. Mark thanked and noted her many years of service to the Council and wished her well and continued success in her future endeavors.

Mark turned the meeting over to John Bairos for the Comcast Report.

### **COMCAST REPORT:**

John Bairos began by presenting a Schedule of new Channel Lineup.

John informed the Council that the Process of Enhancement project to be completed by November 29<sup>th</sup>. With this new updating, Comcast has added more HD Channels. On January 1<sup>st</sup> Comcast will be updating their fees, including statement fees going from \$20.00 to \$35.00.

Customer had an internet issue and question on billing which was resolved by Comcast.

Leaders of Achievement Scholarship were sent to schools. The deadline is December 9, 2011.

\$10,000 Albright Grant given to the Boys & Girls Club for Tech Training Classes.

On November 9<sup>th</sup>, a broadcast test throughout the nation will be conducted at 2 PM.

November 29<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the new digital upgrade.

Digital box can be shipped to the customers home or call to install for a fee.

Mark thanked John Bairos for his report and for addressing the complaints.

## REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

Minutes from August 25, 2011 were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by JT Tenczar, North Branford; Second by Bill Biski, East Haven. All were in favor.

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mark began his report by saying that the Treasurer's Report needed to be tabled to the next meeting because Treasurer Tom Dacey was absent.

Mark asked about Mr. Esposito's complaint and was told by John Bairos that it is being taken care of. The complaint from David Metz was given to John Bairos. Tyrone Thompkin's complaint was tabled for Tom Dacey, Wallingford.

Mark said that insurance payments from WPAATV for the years 2009 and partial 2010 were never received. There are no records of payment. Mark will issue a letter to WPAATV asking for proof of payment.

There was a motion by JT Tenczar, North Branford; to pursue WPAATV for funds owed. Second by Peter Hugret, Branford. All were in favor.

ACM By-Laws were presented and circulated for viewing. Mark also stated that a check to Rob Proto for the Council's website design was to be paid and still waiting for the debit card to put monthly hosting site charges.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Tabled to next meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Any changes for the new Council Website need to be emailed to Mary Bigelow.

#### NEW BUSINESS

AT & T U-Verse will now be added to the Council's Media insurance policy at no additional charge to the Council. Walter Mann explained that in order to host Madison's programming, AT & T required to be on the Council's insurance for liability. It was brought to a motion to approve by Joel Parker, Guilford; and second by Peter Hugret, Branford. All were in favor.

Mark will send letter to insurance company to approve rider.

The following dates were set for the 2011-2012 year.

December 15, 2011	North Haven
February 22, 2012	East Haven
April 26, 2012	Guilford
June 28, 2012	Branford

#### TOWN REPORTS

Rob Proto, North Haven, has moved to ESPN. Everyone in North Haven will miss him, but they wish him luck and continued success.

Guilford explained “Bus with a Twist” and new Programming.

North Haven & Branford are gearing up for the upcoming elections and Debates.

North Haven’s corn chowder at The North Haven Fair was very successful. They are in the process of selling cookie dough & oranges.

East Haven is also gearing up for the upcoming Debates but also wanted to know why shut them down to the public? Newspaper Reporters weren’t even allowed in. After some discussion, it was determined that the studio would have been too small to accommodate all the people.

Madison will hold their next meeting and will pass resolution to accept U-Verse. They are in the process of putting all their shows on hard drives instead of DVD. Their Video Youth Group wants to do a film fest. The Exchange Club will help them out. Scott Tucker Productions will hold a 4 day workshop and is open to all 7 towns.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. On a motion by Peter Hugret, Branford; seconded by Bill Biski, East Haven;. All were in favor.

Respectively submitted

Mary Minotti