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CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 19, 2017

The Cable Advisory Committee met in the Selectmen Conference Room as scheduled with Steve Walker, Tom Alonzo and Paula Bertram present.

Public Comment

None

Announcements

None

Minutes/Correspondence

Committee reviewed & approved Minutes of :

- October 26, 2015
- June 12, 2017

Current Business

Discuss and review outcome of public hearing of 6/15/17 - Tom noted that there was a technical problem with the audio of the public hearing that was held on June 15th relative to the re-negotiation of the Cable Contract. The Town Manager has verified that there is no legal issue with the lack of a recording, the required public hearing was held in accordance with State Laws. Steve Walker gave a PowerPoint Presentation. There were 5 or 6 attendees but we also received 6 emails that were read into the record. The Fire Chief gave an overview of how the department is currently utilizing Comcast and how they anticipate using it in the future. Loxi Calmes, Superintendent, forwarded comments through Steve Malandrinos.

Final review of PACC Business Plan - Steve Walker discussed INET and had asked Steve Malandrinos about dark fiber who suggested that 100 up 100 down in 10 places would be preferable. Cost would be over \$720,000 over the course of the 10 year contract, (\$600 per month per site). Tom Alonzo noted that we do not have INET in the contract; unfortunately it was left out of the contract. Steve outlined the assumptions and requests in the business plan. He suggested that in place of INET we ask Comcast to provide fiber drops. Tom Alonzo reiterated that we do not have INET and he believes that it is unlikely that we will be able to negotiate Comcast to provide it, he will talk with Attorney Nevig. Steve Walker has one minor change to make in the business plan, he will make the change and forward to Heather Lemieux for distribution to the Board of Selectmen and as a public document.

Discuss and plan next steps in renewal process - Attorney Hewig has scanned the business plan and is awaiting a formal list of our requests. Committee decided to forward the document prepared by Steve Walker to Attorney Hewig as the starting point for negotiations.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule - Next meeting will be scheduled in early July, Paula will forward her vacation schedule to Tom Alonzo.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Bertram