

**Lake Champlain Access Television
Meeting of the Board of Directors
January 23, 2012
Milton Town Offices**

Present: Dick Pecor, Neil Hilt, Kary Towne, Peter Russom, Sharon Osier, Sam Conant,
Carol Jones, Kevin Christopher
Additional: Rebecca Padula

Dick called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

Approve Agenda:

The agenda needs to be modified: We need to add ratification of the public vote for our Colchester position and reorganization of the Board. Peter made the motion, Carol second, to modify the agenda to include ratification of public vote for the Colchester Board position and Board reorganization. Motion passed.

Ratification of Election:

Kevin reported that Sam Conant was re-elected to the Board based on election results. Carol moved to ratify these election results. Sharon second. Motion passed.

Board Reorganization:

Kevin led the Board reorganization process. It was agreed that we would nominate for each position and then vote on the slate of officers.

Sam nominated Kary, Peter second, for position of secretary.

Carol nominated Pete, Sharon second, for position of treasurer.

Carol nominated Sam, Neil second, for position of vice president.

Sam nominated Dick, Carol second, for position of president.

Sam made the motion to accept these nominations, Carol second. Motion passed. The meeting was turned back over to Dick.

Staff / Public /Board Member Comments:

Rebecca announced the top web views for the month: 36 Festive Choirs; 21 Young Adult Film Crew Library Projects (Colchester); 12 open mic; 11 summer concert at Bayside; 10 Georgia Select Board Meeting from 11/20/11.

Approval of Minutes of 12/12/11:

Sam made the motion, Carol second, to approve the minutes of December 12, 2011. Motion passed.

Old Business

Contract Negotiations: Kevin reports that the last negotiation meeting was very productive and LCATV is awaiting the latest draft back from Comcast. Kevin expects a stepped funding schedule from 4.5% to 4.75% to 5.00% by April 2013. There is a side agreement pertaining to several items such as origination sites and the program schedule guide. When LCATV receives the final agreement, he will bring it to the Board for approval. This contract will be a six year agreement.

Georgia Public Representative: We are still looking to fill this position.

Alternative Funding Sources: Kevin is always looking for information and possibilities for LCATV.

Milton Property Committee: LCATV will move forward this after the contract is settled.

Special Projects: The Board briefly discussed some future possibilities, such as working with groups like National Gardening Association and Albany College of Pharmacy. Should we consider funding sources or underwriting groups who want to do projects? There was also a discussion of a parallel corporation and the potentially positive and negative impacts on LCATV. The Board did agree that since we are taking on 5 new territories, we need to wait and see the impact this has and incorporate this into our future planning. Our future planning also includes getting a 3rd channel up and running. The Board does agree that we should set up some sort of template or protocol for those interested in doing programming through LCATV.

Treasurer's Report:

The Board reviewed the balance sheet from 12/31/11. The total current assets were \$382,485.67 and total assets \$433,695.66. There are no CD's maturing in the near future. We are expecting a Comcast quarterly payment around mid February.

New Business:

Board of Directors restructuring: Kevin presented two options to start the discussion which included a cost analysis. There were many questions and ideas on what we might consider-- including what size Board will function most effectively, how often to meet and how to fairly represent each town. Kevin listened to our thoughts and will bring back another draft at the next meeting to further define what the Board might look like. The Board also discussed a stipend for attending meetings.

Future Agenda Items:

Set up a template / protocols for those interested in doing programs
Future of Digital Media Program at the Libraries

Executive Session:

At 6:45 pm Sam made the motion, Carol second, to go into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter. Motion passed. At 7 pm, Sam made the motion, Carol second, to exit Executive Session. Motion passed. There was no action as a result of Executive Session.

Adjournment:

At 7:05 pm, Carol made the motion, Peter second, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Kevin will contact us regarding the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kary Towne
Secretary