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UNAPPROVED VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES July 8, 2021

Present: Chairman Sol Silverstein, Gary DelPiano, Bob Kelly, Mike Muttitt, Coordinator Ron Davis, Assistant Coordinator Chris Kelly, Recording Secretary Marlene Silverstein

Chairman Silverstein convened the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Questions & Comments: None

Approve Minutes: Bob Kelly, seconded by Mike Muttitt, **made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2021 meeting.** The motion carried unanimously.

Budget Review. The Finance Department was unable to provide a budget report for June as it is busy closing out the last fiscal year and opening the new fiscal year.

Coordinator's Report: Coordinator Davis reported that the town continues to hold many board and other meetings virtually with OGAT assisting by cablecasting them live. In addition, OGAT streams meetings on YouTube and TelVue CloudCast. Assistant Coordinator Kelly reported that the OGAT studio has been functioning smoothly through June. He also reported that he was able to secure assistance from the Altice head-end to address the weak cable picture that has been troubling OGAT. The Optimum and Frontier equipment has been functioning without issues. OGAT is continuing to use assistant camera operators. Assistant Coordinator Kelly reported there were 26 Live Hits on TelVue CloudCast, 118 Video on Demand (VOD) hits on Telvue CloudCast and 664 YouTube + VOD hits for the month of June.

Mike Muttitt, seconded by Bob Kelly, **made the motion to approve the Coordinator's Report.** The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item List: The list was reviewed and updated.

Cable Advisory Council (CAC) Grant: Chairman Silverstein reported that the grant application is due on July 15th. Assistant Coordinator Kelly's spreadsheet for items for the grant

was reviewed. After speaking with the IT Coordinator at the Mary L. Tracy (MLT) school who suggested that OGAT use a wireless microphone system for the MLT meeting room, Assistant Coordinator Kelly updated his spreadsheet to include a wireless system rather than a wired system. Since the cost of a wireless microphone system seems to be cost prohibitive for the grant application, Assistant Coordinator Kelly suggested applying for and purchasing the system in increments over a few grant years. Discussion ensued with suggestions made to also apply to the town's Capital Planning Committee, the state's PEGPETIA grant program and the Orange Board of Education for the funding that does not come through from the CAC grant. Bob Kelly, seconded by Mike Muttitt, made the ***motion to submit a grant request to the CAC for a wireless system upgrade for the MLT meeting room, the service contract renewals for an amount of approximately \$36,000.00 pending quotes from suppliers.*** The motion carried unanimously.

Equipment Inventory: No new purchases have been made, but some corrections were made to the inventory list.

Town Talk: Assistant Coordinator Kelly will be assisting in converting the Police Academy tapes to a compatible and editable format.

Bob Kelly, seconded by Mike Muttitt, ***made the motion to adjourn at 8:16 pm.***

Respectfully submitted,
Marlene Silverstein,
Recording Secretary