

MINUTES OF CABLE TV COMMISSION MEETING
October 10, 2012
CITY HALL ANNEX – 1st FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM #1

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alan Vincent (chair), Jennifer Tigges (vice-chair), Pauline Maloney, Kevin Stevens, Ron Tigges, Sr. Carol Hoverman, Kathy McMullen.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jennifer Tigges.

OTHERS PRESENT: Craig Nowack, City of Dubuque
Jim Barefoot, Mediacom

Vincent called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Acceptance of the Agenda

Upon a motion by Hoverman, seconded by Stevens, the agenda was accepted 6 - 0.

Approval of the Minutes of September 5, 2012

Upon a motion by Maloney, seconded by RTigges, the Minutes were approved 6 - 0.

Public Notice

There was no public input.

Access Equipment & Facilities

Nowack presented a request for funding on behalf of the City of Dubuque for two Sony solid state camcorders. He noted sync issues between the City's tape cameras and the newer, solid state camera, the significantly decreased transfer time when compared with tape cameras, and the new camera's use of the same batteries as the City's older cameras. Hoverman moved to approve up to \$10,000 for the new cameras and accessories. The motion was seconded by McMullen and approved 6 – 0.

Disposing of Old Equipment

This item was tabled until a future meeting per the request of Barefoot.

Mediacom Cable Report

Barefoot reported on the server problems he was experiencing at the public access studio. A drive failure started the problem and then he needed significant network support from Tightrope and ECS in order to get the server functioning again. Nowack wondered if the server is old enough to be replaced and suggested an assurance package be purchased to support a replacement.

Barefoot reported that Jeff Dyer from Sageville School was turned down for a Mediacom Arts & Culture grant for production equipment for his school. Barefoot thought that the PEG Fund would be a better source of funding and will communicate that to Mr. Dyer.

Cable TV Report

Nowack informed the Commission that he's in the middle of budget preparation for FY14. He discussed current and upcoming production, including five programs to be produced from the Growing Sustainable Communities conference, the Police Department's 175th anniversary event, and candidate forums, airport groundbreaking, and CARADCO Building ribbon cutting.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Maloney, seconded by Hoverman, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.