

Trumbull Community Television Minutes

Meeting of April 30, 2015

Attendance: John Annick, Byron Campbell, Jackie Carlino, Gary Cialfi (8:28), Kate Donahue, Vince Fini, Roy Fuchs, Donna Girot, Jeff Hackett, Sue Horton, Susan LaFrance (8:10), Jim Lang, Kevin Shively, Sean Tait.

Introduction of prospective new member, Kevin Shively. Kevin is a 13 year Trumbull resident with Broadcast and Internet media experience. He is presently at Discover Video in Wallingford. His expertise is largely technical.

We are on track with spending for current year.

Donna Girot reported on programming. Some upcoming programs on the schedule include: flag etiquette, spring sports, school concerts, rededication of the Counseling Center, Farmer's Market in Nichols, Police Cadets and their relationship with Trumbull Police, and the Historical Society's Civil War reenactment.

501cs Status. Musto provided TCT with paperwork. Kate will review to see if we are able to complete without assistance.

Charter Advisory meeting was cancelled. Nothing to report.

Alliance for Community Media – Kate will address current voting rights on paperwork and follow through.

PEGPETIA – Kevin agreed to keep us posted on status.

Technical – Town Council equipment in distress. Long Hill system is great model for what works properly. Town has not allotted funds for upgrades. We need to move quickly to get action taken on this. Susan L will draft official correspondence to town for Kate to review. John will reach out to Carl Massaro. Jeff Hackett reported on examining the possibility to telecast from 'eagle's nest' – enabling us to telecast all activities that take place on the Trumbull High football field.

Jim Lang stressed importance of TCT to residents of town.

Government meetings. Meetings not already telecast need to be addressed. As a group, we need to determine guidelines for covering meetings since we do not have resources to cover everything. Roy suggested some meetings go directly to VOD. John Annick pointed out that in the past this has been a subjective process. Donna suggested covering all public hearings as a guideline. Jim Lang pointed out that it was important to put a price tag on any plans to be presented. Donna pointed out that we should decide what we want to be without considering resource restraints. All agreed we need criteria to accomplish this. Byron said our current guideline is educational and government. Sue brought up the

importance of determining parameters and sticking to them. A committee was decided upon to create parameters to present at next meeting – Donna, Roy, Jim, Sue, and Kevin.

Kevin brought up the idea of equipment with automated features for VOD programs for programs that were determined to go straight to VOD – this would reduce cost and the need for a videographer. Important to consider for reconfigurations or new purchase plans.

Plans for new community center – TCTV needs representation on committee. Is Joe Pifko heading up committee? John agreed to reach out to the First Selectman.

Jamie Bratt requested copies of Planning & Zoning recordings to identify speakers for audio tape (legal record). We have always charged \$20 per tape. Donna needs a procedure for billing. Charge \$40. A month for meeting tapes - Kate will provide Donna with invoice information and Donna will send account number to Kate. Account balance should be monitored by TCT.

Donna asked the station be referred to as TCTV.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04.