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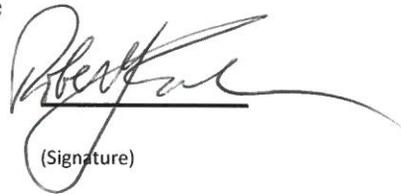
Cable Advisory Committee

FAIRHAVEN,
MASS.

PLACE OF MEETING: **Town Hall – East Room**

DATE AND TIME: **March 18th, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.**

MEETING OF: Cable Advisory Committee



(Signature)

4-6-2015

(Date Signed)

Present: Barbara Acksen, Ex-officio: Selectman Bob Espindola, Ronnie Medina
Absent: None

Guests in attendance: Mr. Steven Grossman (part time).

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 P.M.

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Bob Espindola explained that there were no meeting notes from the prior meeting because that meeting (January 26th) which was scheduled to be a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen had been cancelled due to the snow storm. He noted that he forgot to bring the meeting notes from the meeting prior to that – on January 8th and will bring to a future meeting for approval.

The committee again discussed the proposals by Media Community Visioning and Attorney Solomon and discussed what role each of them and Ms. Amy Palmerino would have during the appointment with the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Steven Grossman entered the meeting and proceeded to ask a number of questions about the history of the Cable Advisory Committee and what were were presently doing.

After allowing considerable discussion in this area, discussion resumed about the plan for the joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen on March 30th.

The Committee decided that the outline would be along the following lines;

Attorney Solomon speaks about;

- a) His past history with the Town (prior contract)
- b) The reasons we should consider a non profit in Fairhaven
- c). The current balance in our Cable Fund account (I'll get an update) restate that funds can only be used for this purpose and why it is important to act now on those funds or stand to loose in next contract.
- d) Brief overview of proposal.

Mr Sherwood speaks about;

- a). A brief introduction of his business and experience
- b) Why the Town needs to do outreach.
- c). How you would propose to work with our Cable Advisory Committee to do that outreach and when.
- d). Overview of your proposal (if not already covered in a thru c above).
- e) Equipment needs (equipment recommended by ISG)

Ms. Amy Palmerino speaks about;

- a) What the Town is missing by not having Public access all these years. Examples of the most popular types of programs you and other communities are doing.
- b) Explain how incoming funds are a match for your annual budget (sustainability).
- c) That setting up a Studio is not an insurmountable task and how experts are available to help design and build a studio in an existing space.

Allow time for Q & A (BOS and attendees).

Bob Espindola agreed to contact the three individuals above to let them know what the Committee feels is most important to discuss during the appointment on March 30th (Outline above).

The next meeting will be a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen on March 30th.

Bob Espindola motioned to adjourn at 9:01 P.M.

Ronnie Medina Seconded

No further discussion

The vote was unanimous

Submitted by Bob Espindola, acting Secretary