

Orion Community Cable Communications Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting
April 21, 2016
Orion Neighborhood Television Studio, 1349 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion

Members Present: Lucy Koscierzynski, Joseph P. Belanger, John Ranville, Donni Steele, John Steimel, Jim Zsenyuk, Sarah Paine during Agenda Item 5A.

Members Absent: Doug Hobbs, Ralph Painter

Also Present: Diane Griffiths, Ian Locke, Rebecca Sharpe, Robert Key, Griffin Stroin, Brittney Whitefield, Mayea Russell, Aspen Finnigan, Kim Sharpe, Mike Sharpe, Kelly Sharpe, Stephen Hawley, Roger Smith, Lauren Smith, Margaret McMahon, Max Steele, Jen Asher, Tony Wagner, Erika Wagner, Ryan Sanborn, Athan Wagner

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by Vice Chair L. Koscierzynski.

2. Call to Public

Several of the Television Production Workshop students shared their plans for the future.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by J. Steimel, seconded by D. Steele to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of February 11, 2016

Moved by D. Steele, seconded by J. Steimel to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

5. Commission Business

A. Grant Request #041601, Lake Orion Band Boosters – Lake Orion Dragon Bands

M. McMann and L. Smith spoke to the needs of the band program, with failing electronic equipment during performances, and the possibility of increased viewership of ONTV with band concert programs. L. Koscierzynski read the definition of eligible applicants for the grant program. The Band Boosters assured the commission that LOHS Band Director Mike Steele provided information and encouraged the band boosters to apply for the grant. J. Zsenyuk suggested withdrawing the application and re-submitting it for needed television production equipment. This grant was withdrawn.

Moved by D. Steele, seconded by J. Ranville to receive and file the application. Motion carried.

B. Grant Request #041602, Lake Orion Community Schools

Moved by J. Zsenyuk, seconded by J. Ranville to approve the grant as written for \$89,024.78. Motion carried.

C. Subscriber Request – Additional Cable Provider – Update

D. Griffiths contacted Wide Open West with an invitation to provide cable service in Orion, and was told that there are many factors involved in extending their network, and they will keep Orion in mind as they review future builds.

D. ONTV Request for Headend Supplemental Cooling

I. Locke explained the need for supplemental cooling for the headend room, and submitted three bids. All three bids provided units that will be independent of the building HVAC system.

Moved by D. Steele, seconded by J. Ranville to award the bid to Aladdin Heating & Cooling in the amount of \$4,394. Motion carried.

6. Treasurer's Report

A. Payment of Bills

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Moved by J. Zsenyuk, seconded by J. Ranville to approve payment of the bills paid between meetings, and the bills presented at the meeting for payment, in the amount of \$119,194.58.

Motion carried.

Moved by J. Zsenyuk, seconded by J. Ranville to amend the 2016 budget by moving \$90,000 from Projected Year End Carryover to Grants. Motion carried.

7. ONTV Board Report

A. March, 2016 Meeting Synopsis

B. January, 2016 Meeting Minutes

C. HVAC/Building Update

Moved by J. Steimel, seconded by J. Ranville to receive and file the ONTV Board Report. Motion carried.

8. Cable Providers' Reports

A. Comcast

1. February 22, 2016 Letter RE: Channel Lineup Change

2. Response to Franchise/PEG Fee Audit Report

The response has not yet been received from Comcast.

B. AT&T

1. Fourth Quarter Franchise/PEG Fee Reports – Village of Lake Orion

2. Fourth Quarter Franchise/PEG Fee Reports – Orion Township

Moved by J. Ranville, seconded by J. Zsenyuk to receive and file the reports. Motion carried.

9. Administrator's Report

A. Subscriber Concerns Log

Moved by J. Steimel, seconded by J. Ranville to receive and file the report. Motion carried.

10. Upcoming Conferences and Conference Reports

A. Alliance for Community Media Central States Region, April 27 – 29, South Bend, Indiana

B. Alliance for Community Media, August 18 – 20, Boston, Massachusetts

C. NATOA National, September 19 – 22, 2016, Austin Texas

R. Painter is registered for the conference in Boston and J. Belanger would like to attend the conference in Texas.

11. Communications Received

None.

12. Commissioner Comments

J. Belanger is sorry that Al Jazeera folded, he thought they had good news coverage. J. Zsenyuk felt bad turning down the grant for the band boosters, but he knows that the cable company would not have been happy if the grant had been approved. S. Paine hopes the band will come back with another grant.

13. Adjournment

Moved by S. Paine, seconded by J. Ranville to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Ranville, Secretary

Diane Griffiths, Administrator