

Minutes of the New Gloucester Cable Television Committee Meeting – August 8, 2012

Those in attendance:

Committee members: Bob MacGregor (Chair), Richard Erwin (Vice-Chair),
Patti Mikkelsen, Steve Brissette

Call to order:

Bob MacGregor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Election of Officers:

- Bob MacGregor was nominated for the position of committee chairman (Steve/Patti). Bob was elected by a vote of 4-0.
- Richard Erwin was nominated for the position of committee vice-chairman (Patti/Steve). Richard was elected by a vote of 4-0.

Minutes:

The May 9, 2012 meeting minutes were approved pending one change (Richard/Steve). Motion carried 4-0.

Technical Report:

- Richard presented his 5/9/2012 technical report, available as a separate document.
- Richard said that we may need to purchase a new UPS unit. The cost would be about \$150.
- Richard stated that he has prepared a 'wish list' for items to be ordered from Markertek. The total of several small items would total \$141.

Next Meeting:

The next Cable TV Committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 12, 7 p.m. at The Meetinghouse.

Public Participation:

None

A/V Cart:

The Planning Department requested an A/V cart for future presentations. A motion was made to purchase an A/V cart with funds being derived from the Cable TV budget (Patti/Steve). Motion carried 4-0 with the stipulation that the cart would be NGTV-owned

CTAM Archive:

Patti reported that NGTV received a request from CTAM for video submissions pertaining to Maine history to be archived and viewed on a website. According, she mailed six videos produced by NGTV to the CTAM Archive Project.

GNG Drama Club:

Patti reported that she and Patriot Players' volunteer Joe Moran conducted two editing sessions in July using a compilation of several video clips and still photos to create a 29-minute program of the drama club's nine musicals. This will be telecast on NGTV and GCTV2 as a promotion for its November 2012 musical.

Recent NGTV Productions:

- Patti said that she and community fair chairman Michael Bardier had an editing session in July to create a 3 ½ minute video from footage she shot at the 2011 fair. This video would be used for promotional purposes.

- Patti stated that she shot and edited the June 9th Energy Fair sponsored by the NG Economic Development Committee.
- Patti said that she has been asked by head librarian Suzan Hawkins for NGTV to record the library's annual summer play. Richard and Patti volunteered to work on that project.

Candidates Forum:

Candidates' forums for House District 105 and State Senate District 15 to be produced by NGTV were discussed. Bob said that he would make the necessary contacts to see how to proceed.

Recent submission from outside source:

Bob stated that he has received a DVD of a political nature from a campaign that does not conform to NGTV's policy of a 15-minute running time limit. He will check with the person who submitted the program to suggest that the show be edited to be less than 15 minutes in length, if possible.

Other:

- Bob will check on updating our committee's mission statement on the town website.
- Bob reported that our CTAM membership has been renewed.
- Bob said that the town's contract with Town Hall Streams has been renewed as of July 1st.
- Patti said that she would call William Capps who does set designs for national networks to find out if he would be willing to consult with NGTV.
- Bob reminded committee members that programs that were archived by Town Hall Streams in August 2011 are set to expire. Patti suggested that any programs that we would like to have retained be recaptured.
- Bob said that he has received a request from Town Clerk Sharlene Myers to obtain a Cable TV Committee written submission for the next annual town report. Richard volunteered to write it.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:25 p.m. (Patti/Steve). Motion carried 4-0.

Minutes were submitted by Patti Mikkelsen (recorder).