



Town of Fairhaven

Meeting Notice

Cable Advisory Committee

Place of Meeting East Rm. Town Hall

Date & Time Tues Feb 27, 2018 7 PM

Meeting of _____ Cancelled / Postponed to _____

[Signature]
SIGNATURE

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

FEBRUARY 27 2018

1. A MOMENT
2. REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING
3. INTERIM COVERAGE, AND CURRENT PEG FUNCTIONING
4. UPDATE ON CONSULTATION WITH STEVE RYS
5. TRANSITION , PLANNING, NEXT STEPS RE DIRECTOR
6. UPDATE ON LICENSE NEGOTIATIONS WITH COMCAST AND NEXT STEPS
5. STATUS OF CHANNEL 95 FOR TURN ON
7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS NOT ANTICIPATED PRIOR TO AGENDA

FAIRHAVEN,
MASS.

2018 FEB 23 P 4:11

RECEIVED
TOWN CLERK



Town of Fairhaven

Town Hall 40 Centre Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719

RECEIVED
TOWN CLERK

2018 JUL 25 P 12:02

Minutes of Meeting

FAIRHAVEN,
MASS.

Cable Advisory Committee

PLACE OF MEETING: **Town Hall Banquet Room**
DATE AND TIME: **February 27th, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.**
MEETING OF: **Cable Advisory**


(Signature)

3-27-2018

(Date Signed)

Present: Barbara Acksen, Ex-officio: Selectman Bob Espindola, John Methia, Ronnie Medina,
Absent: Michael Merolla

Guest: Drew Furtado

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M

Barbara Acksen called for a moment of silence to honor recently deceased Bobby Brusco.

The committee spoke highly of the many accomplishments Mr. Brusco made in the short time he was employed by the Town, of the many friends he made and everyone noted how much we will miss him.

Bob Espindola noted that, at a prior meeting of the Board of Selectmen, the Town had established a Scholarship Fund in Bobby Brusco's name.

John Methia noted that the family had started a "Go-fund-me" account to help with funeral expenses.

John Methia suggested that the Town Name the Studio or the Stage at Town Hall after Bobby Brusco,

Meeting notes from the prior meeting were not available for review and will be presented next meeting.

Drew Furtado, who has been filling in during Bobby's Absence, provided an update on Government Access activities.

- He has been working with students from the High School and that forty-four (44) meetings and posted to date on the web site.
- There is now a slide show running on the site.
- There is now a master directory for all content.
- There is a master equipment inventory of all purchased equipment.
- Equipment is kept in a locked space and only Eric Sia, Allysa Botelho and Mr. Furtado have access.

Discussion about the Castus system ensued. The Castus system is capable of running a second channel (i.e. Government and Public Access) but there is a physical issue with Public Access that stems from Comcast.

Mr. Furtado offered to continue on, long term, with the current arrangement whereby he has added Government Access to his role of Education Access Director. He said he is already doing the work and it is not that heavy of a lift for him to continue doing it long term, if the Town were interested.

Pattie Pacella is currently doing the scheduling and she would continue to do that.

There were questions about what activities Pattie is doing and how that works with her split of time between the Building Department and Cable Access.

Bob Espindola said he would request information on that subject and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

Barbara Acksen noted that Frank Fostin would be willing to update the Committee on the various things that Bobby was working on and some of the "Vision" ideas that Bobby had. She said that she would invite Mr. Fostin to a future meeting.

Drew Furtado said that he and his students had found some Public Access content on Bobby's computer that could be played on the Public Access Channel when that goes live, but would need some editing first.

He mentioned there was content from the Summer Concert Series, the Fairhaven Father's Day Road Race, the Encampment at Fort Phoenix, and the Old Tyme Holiday Fair at the Town Hall in December, among other things.

Mr. Furtado was asked if he could provide a listing of the content and which needed to be edited so that, at a future meeting, the Committee could provide some direction in that area.

Discussion returned to a dedication to Bobby Bruso. John Methia made a motion to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that the Town Hall Studio or Stage be named after Bobby Bruso and to fund a plaque bearing his name and possibly his likeness.

Bob Espindola seconded the motion.

There was more discussion on the subject, with everyone showing support.

The motion carried unanimously.

The committee decided the next meeting of the CAC would be the fourth Tuesday of the month, March, 27th.

Ronnie Medina made a motion to adjourn at 7:51 P.M.

John Methia Seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion

The motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by Bob Espindola, acting Secretary