

Minutes
Sterling Cable TV Advisory Board
June 18, 2009
(Approved)

Present: Chairman Robert Bloom, Arthur Coughlin, Richard Maki.
Meeting called to order by Chairman Bloom at 7:15 pm in Room 209 of the Butterick Municipal Building.

Minutes of June 4, 2009, read and approved. Motion by Coughlin, seconded by Bloom. Unanimous VOTE.

Old Business: Discussion: Letter from T. Kelly (Comcast) regarding level of service and agreement on channel usage. Board affirmed their desire to have one shared channel and one channel dedicated to Sterling. Board spoke with Kelly via conference call. He wants to set up another conference call with their engineer (Ron Baker) to ensure everyone understands the channel assignments. Depending on the arrangement, the cost of Comcast estimate may be reduced slightly. Kelly commented on our request to cablecast Sterling events, saying, "We don't want to be responsible in any way" for content broadcast under their auspices. Since Sterling has no insurance or mechanism to program on their own, the Board will not be able to assist Sterling residents in this matter until the local facility is completed and the Sterling-Lancaster Community Television access corporation is operational. Chairman Bloom wants to contact Comm-Tract to confirm their estimate for a return line from Chocksett to Butterick Assigned to Maki. Received latest version of access corporation By-Laws and see no apparent issues. Revised Agreement between Town and SLCT is expected this week.

Review of resumes for cable consultant position. The Board reviewed all applications and chose two from a field of strong candidates. Maki will make arrangements to have them visit our future facility and be interviewed later this month or early July, 2009.

The Board affirmed a desire to visit with Karen Pare sometime in July. Date and time presently unknown with priority given to consultant interviews and hiring decisions.

New Business: Board discussed some expense sharing with Town to expand electrical and data service to Room 209 and repair/replace the air conditioning unit. Up to \$1,000 for the electrical work and \$1,200 for the air conditioning was approved with the preference of repairing the rooftop unit.

Adjournment was at 8:45 pm as moved by Maki and seconded by Coughlin. Unanimous VOTE.

Richard Maki, Secretary
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