

## Groton Cable Advisory Committee

**Meeting Minutes for: 2/25/17**

**TV Studio Groton-Dunstable Regional High School**

**In Attendance:**

**Cable Committee Members:** Robert Piche, Dave Melpignano, Neil Colicchio, Jane Bouvier, and Janet Sheffield via Facetime (all votes were roll-call votes)

**Others:** Program Director, Bob Colman and Ayer resident, Theodore Gilbert Colman

**Called to Order At:** 10:11 AM

**Bills:** Committee Members reviewed and signed the bills for the month.

**Meeting Minutes:** Robert moved to approve the Minutes for 1/21/17 Dave seconded. It passed unanimously.

**General Update:**

- The Quarterly checks came in from the Cable Companies, essentially even with previous quarter
- The Film Club is working on a Sci-Fi/Horror project.
- Equipment is in for the First Floor Meeting Room Upgrade.
- We were unable to make HD work with Verizon's Library feed.
- GD 911 is back as a monthly program.

**Discussion Item:** Other people using our footage. Consensus from other media centers is that we should watermark where possible and let the media outlet in question know our concerns.

**Action Item:** Dave will draft a memo to the Media outlet for next meeting.

**Discussion Item:** FY 17 Budget Warrant Article. Although it's possible we may not need to dip into our E&D fund at all, a warrant article seems wise to cover ourselves.

**Vote:** Dave moved that we move \$10,000 from our E&D fund to cover any shortfalls in the FY 17 Budget. Robert seconded. It passed unanimously.

**Purchase Requests:**

Dave made a motion to purchase a new tripod for field production for an amount not to exceed \$250. Jane seconded it passed unanimously.

Dave made a motion to spend up to \$100 from our gift fund to contribute to the Rivercourt Celebration of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Around Town. Robert seconded. It passed unanimously.

**Other:**

In response to a request from the Selectmen the Committee will consider new goals to discuss for the next meeting.

Potential date for next meeting: March 16<sup>th</sup>.

At 11:12 PM, Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Robert. There was no further discussion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.