



Granite Town Media

Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

24 August 2023

Present: Dave Alcox, Josh Breault, Tim Finan, Chris Gentry, Lisa Griffiths, Tina Philbrick, Tom Schmidt, Jon Teger, Nathalie Watson

Absent:

Guests: Andrew Kouropoulos Assistant Media Manager, Mike Thornton

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order 6:00 PM as a hybrid Zoom meeting.

Director's Report

- Cable TV channel switch – Comcast has revised channel line up throughout southern NH. New Milford assignment: SD Education ch 6, SD Government ch 8, SD Public ch 22, HD ch 1072.
- Cable franchise fee – 5% fee in effect since April, it had been 3%. This only affects the cable TV portion of customer's bill. 2nd quarter revenue was \$66,159. Chris reported only a few people contacted him about the change. Comcast include information about the fee change along with new channel assignments.
- GTM will be covering [Junior Spartans](#) home football games
- High School Sports – school has chosen a commercial company for pay per view sports TV coverage [Hudl TV](#). Impact on GTM coverage is unclear at the present time but we may no longer able to cover games.
- NH Senate Homeland Security and Public Affairs Committee – an aide to [Maggie Hassan](#) asked Dave Alcox and Chris to cover the Cyber Security K-12 education forum at [St Anselm Institute of Politics](#). Conference was streamed live to Concord NH, DC and C-SPAN.
- BoS meeting room upgrade – GTM equipment upgrade will be coordinated with carpet replacement. GTM install is scheduled to start Tuesday after Labor Day. Should be ready for BoS meeting Sept 11th.
- Labor Day Parade – Dave Alcox will announce. Single camera coverage live with second camera footage added for video on demand.
- Milford Eats – two programs are complete, more planned.
- [GTM Podcasts](#) – Town Administrator Lincoln Daley has recorded several as well as Bruce Dickerson IT director about cyber security and

Leo Lessard DPW director about road maintenance and pipe crew. Jon mentioned the proposed ATC renovation includes a TV studio and Podcast suite for GTM. The public is encouraged to schedule time to create additional Podcasts.

- Summer Concerts – only able to cover events at Emerson Park due to traffic noise pickup at Keyes bandshell.
- Declaration of Independence Reading – Mike Thornton recorded.

Committee membership

- Mike Thornton expressed interest in joining the committee. He has attended several meetings over the past year. Committee has one open community member position.

22 June 2023 Minutes

Minutes approved as amended - Tom moved/Tina 2nd AIF.

Upcoming Meeting:

28 Sept 2023 @6:00 PM hybrid Zoom

Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Tom Schmidt