



Granite Town Media

Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

25 February 2021

Present: Josh Breault, Wade Campbell, Kevin Federico, Tim Finan, Chris Gentry, Chris Labonte, Tom Schmidt, Jon Teger, Nathalie Watson

Absent: Dave Alcox

Guests: Claire

As Chairman of this Committee, I am declaring that an emergency exists and I am invoking the provisions of RSA 91-A:2, III (b), otherwise known as the Right To Know Law.

Federal, state, and local officials have determined that gatherings of 10 or more people pose a substantial risk to our community in its continuing efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19. In concurring with their determination, I also find that this meeting is imperative to the continued operation of Town government and services, which are vital to public safety and confidence during this emergency. As such, this meeting will be conducted without a quorum of this body physically present in the same location.

At this time, I also welcome members of the public who may be accessing this meeting remotely. Even though this meeting is being conducted in a unique manner under unusual circumstances, the usual rules of conduct and decorum apply.

Public comments will be limited to three minutes per person. Any person found to be disrupting this meeting will be asked to cease the disruption. Should the disruptive behavior continue thereafter, that person will be removed from this meeting.

Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting must and will be done by Roll Call vote.

Call to Order:

- Meeting called to order 6:06 PM

Membership terms

- Tom and Wade terms expire this year. Kevin moved to renew both for 3 year term Jon 2nd AIF. Tim will forward recommendation to BoS for approval.

Manager Report

- Comcast HD PEG channel – active as channel 1071 currently in testing phase. Will advertise availability once it has been verified operating correctly.
- All three channels: Public, Education, and Government are streamed and available as VoD (video on demand). GTM Programs are also available on Facebook and YouTube.

- Cable and VoD/streaming problem – Comcast encoders were intermittent and had to be manually rebooted to restore functionality. Replacements also failed after a day. Third replacements ordered and working correctly. About the same time internet streaming failed. Discovered GTM Comcast account was accidentally changed to dynamic addressing instead of static during a software update. This was corrected and everything is now working properly. Jon mentioned how impressed he was with the way Chris dealt with the myriad of technical problems.

Town Election

- Election will be held at high school, much lower turnout expected compared to general election. New voter registration will be held in lobby rather than cafeteria.
- GTM election coverage similar as nation election.
- Voter information posted to town web site
- Hard copy Voter Guide will be mailed out. Guides are available at Town Hall, Library and Market Basket.

Videos

- Recreation Dept. book read at Jacques school.
- Welcome video for kindergarten and preschool students.
- School Resource officer did a book reading.

Policies and Procedures Discussion – no update

Jan 28 2020 Minutes - Approved as presented Tom moved/Jon 2nd AIF.

Upcoming Meeting:

25 March 2020 @6:00 PM via Zoom

Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned 6:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Tom Schmidt