

Granite Town Media

Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes 23 September 2021

Present: Dave Alcox, Josh Breault, Tim Finan, Chris Gentry, Tom Schmidt, Nathalie Watson

Absent: Wade Campbell, Kevin Federico, Chris Labonte, Jon Teger (logged at end of meeting)

Guests: Andy Kouropoulos

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order 6:02 PM as a hybrid Zoom meeting. The governor has rescinded COVID-19 emergency status pertaining to public meetings. A quorum must be physically present however members attending via Zoom are able to vote.

Manager Report

- ➤ Media Day at NHIAA (New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association) met with both commercial and community media personnel. Obtained Volunteer ID cards and press box access.
- ➤ Working with NHCCM (New Hampshire Coalition for Community Media) to enable towns to share sports coverage.
- ➤ National Night Out celebrating community relationship with Police, Fire, and EMS.
- ➤ Hired Alex Addonizio as new videographer
- ➤ Tim asked about Zoom optimization to allow the monitors in BoS room to be in gallery mode while people watching Zoom meeting see normal multiple camera view. Chris said that was possible if the GTM computer is in Zoom host mode and someone at the table is in Zoom co-host mode.

BoS Equipment Update

➤ We are waiting for one item of equipment to complete the digital upgrade. The device we ordered was discontinued and the new replacement is on back order. When installation is complete the BoS room will be fully digital both video and audio.

School

➤ The HVAC system failed in the TV studio control room where the GTM equipment is located. Temperature in the room is high (mid 80's F) and some of the GTM gear is getting critically hot. HVAC repair parts are scheduled to arrive

- early October. In the short term effort is being made to move more air around the GTM rack and the control room itself.
- ➤ School Board Meeting coverage Need a more powerful Zoom computer to allow multi-camera live coverage. That way recorded and live coverage will be identical. This needs to be a school district computer as it is also used by students.

Policies and Procedures Discussion – no update

Videos

- Assisted Boys and Girls Club with CAST Hope, Resiliency & Recovery Summit, video is available now as VoD.
- > 9/11 Memorial covered live, addition video added for VoD version.
- ➤ Labor Day parade covered live, additional video added for VoD version, Dave Alcox was the parade MC.
- ➤ Discussed live coverage video quality issue as it is not as good as the recorded. This is the result of several things; the capability of the computer being used for compression and internet upload capability, in this case from Town Hall.
- Assisted with Benevolent Lodge Bikes for Books project, available now as PSA.
- > GTM has covered all but one of the outdoor music concerts. The one not covered was at the request of the band.
- School Football season has started.
- Able to live stream Plymouth Volleyball and Field Hockey. Chris has struck reciprocal agreements with multiple towns to share sports coverage.

Minutes

➤ 22 July 2021 Minutes approved as presented: Tom moved/Josh 2nd AIF

Next Meeting:

28 Oct 2021 @6:00 PM

Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned 6:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Tom Schmidt