

Wakefield Cable Advisory Board

Approved Minutes

May 23, 2006

Members Present: Mr. Brown, Chairman White, Vice Chair Tibbetts, Mrs. Gehring, Mr. Barnes, Secretary Robbins Other Present: Mr. Huntoon-

Approval of Minutes- Mr. Tibbetts motions to approve minutes of Dec. 20, 2005, seconded by Mr. Brown all in favor. Mr. Barnes motions to approve minutes of April 25, 2006 seconded by Mrs. Gehring all in favor.

Cable Station - Members received various releases including an "opt out" release for school students which they will review for comment at next meeting. Mrs. Robbins will contact NHCCM for input on releases. Next actions will include finalizing releases, assigning volunteer Station Coordinator, estimate volunteer hours necessary to run station. Discuss possible fee schedule for "Provisional Towns." Mrs. Robbins was directed to place a comment on the Bulletin Board to the effect that station is not fully functional.

NHCCM/ Legislation Brief- Net Neutrality and National Franchise and A la Carte issues are being debated in Washington. Net Neutrality is against providing fastest internet access to companies that pay the highest price. National Franchise Reform or COPE relates to Bells entering the video cable business, establishing easier entrance with measures such as but not limited to a lower than current franchise fee paid to towns and allowing telecommunication companies to use municipal rights of way bypassing local controls. NHCCM supports Net Neutrality and is against National Franchising.

New Business- Mr. Huntoon asks members if they approached Adelphia regarding his recent complaints? The Board was apprised of Mr. Huntoon's first complaint but Mrs. Robbins neglected to bring his more recent letter to meeting. Mr. Barnes did phone Rodney King as other customers had similar problems with Adelphia service calls and some were experiencing poor reception. A letter to Mr. King was also sent to Adelphia seek resolution to service call issues signed by Selectman Duffy and Chairman White.

Old Business-

On line survey- Members will bring questions to next meeting for the survey.

Correspondence- Mrs. Robbins will reproduce NHCCM newsletter for board member.

Motion to Adjourn- Mr. Tibbetts seconded by Mr. Barnes all in favor -8:15

