

Waterford Cable Commission
AGENDA
6:30 pm, Tuesday, October 15, 2019
Town Hall, 3rd Floor Conference Room

1. Approval of agenda
2. Approval of minutes
3. Correspondence and bills
4. Signal quality
5. Subscriber complaints
6. Report from Media Network
7. Report from Cable Coordinator
8. Comments
9. Adjourn



Waterford Township Cable Commission

Minutes of the Tuesday, September 17, 2019, Meeting

Members Present: Bob Piggott, Steven Thomas, Ken Fuerst, Howard Heitzeg, Kathy Hepler, Laura Petrusha, Al Pavlish, Gary Allison (Cable Coordinator)

Guest: Josh Bowren

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Laura Petrusha at 6:35 p.m.

Roll Call.

Agenda – The motion to approve the agenda for September 17, 2019 was made by Kathy Hepler and supported by Ken Fuerst. Approved unanimously.

Minutes – The motion to approve the minutes from August 20, 2019 was made by Steve Thomas and supported by Bob Piggott. Approved unanimously.

Correspondence and Bills – Nothing to report.

Signal Quality – Streaming services for municipal and school district down, as well as AT&T feed.

Subscriber Complaints – 123net Metro Act violation reported.

Media Network Report – Report was submitted by Josh Bowren. Following discussion, report was accepted by the commission.

Cable Coordinator's Report – Gary Allison reviewed the Cable Coordinator Report. Following discussion, report was accepted by the commission.

Comments – No comments

Adjournment – The motion to adjourn was made by Howard Heitzeg and supported by Steve Thomas. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Piggott, Secretary

Township of Waterford
Cable Coordinator Report October 2019
Submitted by Gary Allison

- Broadcast/Playback System
 - The new OnDemand feature has been activated. The official switch was October 14th.
 - AT&T feed still down. Efforts to repair servers failed. ALS is currently looking at other alternatives.
- Metro Act Violation
 - Metro Act violation concerning 123Net has been resolved without citation.
- FCC
 - The FCC order regarding franchise and PEG fees took effect on September 26th.
 - An appeal of the order and a request for stay was issued by several organizations, including NATOA and PROTEC. They have requested that the FCC delay the order until the appeals have been heard and ruled on in the circuit court. The FCC has a soft date to respond by October 28. The date is arbitrary and nonbinding.
 - Waterford can expect at least a 1% reduction in franchise fees, and at most a 20% reduction (\$10k-\$200k).
 - Gary Allison met with Representative Haley Stevens to discuss the FCC orders and ways to combat.
- Productions
 - Inside Waterford
 - Plans to create an instructional video(s) for elections are being discussed with the clerk's office.
 - Exploring the possibility of courting a science club or teacher to host a science show for Channel 10.
 - Plans to create a "day in the life" show concerning township positions and services are being discussed with key department managers.