# Connecticut State-wide Video Advisory Council

## August 23, 2017 - Regular Meeting Baci Grill, 134 Berlin Rd, Cromwell, CT

### **Minutes**

The Statewide Video Advisory Council meeting was held on Wednesday, August 23, 2017 and called to order at 7:01 PM by Chair Merja Lehtinen.

In attendance were the following members: Tad Weinstein, Michael Meinz, Merja Lehtinen, Stephen Fuest, Alan Budkofsky, Russell Gomes, Philip Markuszka.

The following members were not present: Paul Tontini, Wayne Church, Stephen Simonin, Douglas Poger, Stewart Strelzer, Alex Fraser, Gregory Davis and Marco Iacoviello.

Providers in attendance: Michael Cicchetti from Frontier

Public in attendance: Stephen Mindera

#### **Secretary Report:**

Alan Budkofsky made a motion to accept the minutes seconded by Steven Fuest. Minutes approved.

#### **Treasurers Report:**

Tad Weinstein gave the report. Alan Budkofsky made a motion to accept the minutes seconded by Russell Gomes. Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

#### **Provider Reports:**

Mike Cicchetti told the committee about Frontier channel changes. He said the last year was a difficult one with the Verizon acquisition but this year the stock prices have gone up a bit and become a little more stable in Connecticut as they are still expanding. Mike spoke about Fibers running to the homes and how it works along with being hooked up to new construction. Steve Fuest said how Madison Schools are happy with the service from Frontier.

#### Old Business:

Table Alex Fraser's Report

#### **Committee Reports:**

Russell Gomes reported that the state still has no budget and very discouraged as no news to give out.

#### Membership Report:

Mike Meinz said he sent an e-mail to Paul Tontini and has yet to get a response. He wrote to the Advisory Council in Groton asking for a replacement for James Kelley and has not heard back yet. He also has not heard from Cox in Meriden.

Mike also reported that the website is good and in compliance.

New Business: None

Public Comments: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:20PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Lori B. Weinstein SVAC – Recording Secretary