

# Statewide Video Advisory Council

## Meeting Minutes

*May 25, 2016*

The Statewide Video Advisory Council meeting was held on May, 2016 and called to order at 7:00PM by Chair, Merja Lehtinen.

Mike Mainz did the roll call and the following were in attendance:

Stephen Simonin: Stephen Fuest: Russell Gomes: Tad Weinstein: Merja Lehtinen: Douglas Poger: Mike Mainz: Gregory Davis: Paul Tontini

Members not in attendance: Paul Curtis: Gerard Speeno: Wayne Church: John Pulino: Paul Batterson: Ed Pizzella: Richard Campbell

Stephen Mindera from Sky Cable and Lori Weinstein – Recording Secretary were also in attendance.

Providers in Attendance: Donna Hamzy – Frontier

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### Secretary Report:

The minutes from the December 15, 2015 meeting were reviewed and Mike Mainz gave some names to be removed from the list. The December minutes passed unanimously. Mike Mainz made a motion to accept the minutes with changes and seconded by Russ Gomes. The minutes from the March 9, 2015 minutes were reviewed Mike Mainz made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and seconded by Russ Gomes. Gregory Davis abstained as he wasn't in attendance.

### Treasurer's Report:

Tad Weinstein gave his report saying that there were two payments made leaving a balance of \$28,209.18. Mike Mainz made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and seconded by Russ Gomes. Motion passed unanimously.

### Provider Reports:

Donna Hamzy from Frontier reported that the Verizon merger was finalized in April and increased by 9,400 employees. The TCN Bill with a fee tied Vantage TV, Internet and Voice are enhanced and have taken over for U-Verse but the overall transition could take three to four years.

### Membership Committee:

Mike Mainz reported the PURA made a ruling that Verizon and Cox don't have to attend our meeting as they already attend the local area meetings. Mike Mainz passed out the membership list and a link will be posted for members to download.

### Old Business:

None

New Business:

Russ Gomes informed the board that his regional board had received a query from a member of the public for a copy of their regional by-laws which are readily available on the website for that region.

Doug Poger reported that he and Russ Gomes checked into making a donation in memory of Ray and they found out that he was on the Library Board in Wolcott and he taught History. It was put on the table to make a \$200.00 donation in his memory and Tad Weinstein made a modified motion to donate \$250.00. Doug Poger made the motion to make this donation in Ray's memory as he was a man of integrity and a past member of the SVAC. Russ Gomes seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Tad Weinstein will make the check and notification will be sent to Ray's family.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori B. Weinstein

Recording Secretary