

# Connecticut State-wide Video Advisory Council

February 22, 2017 - Regular Meeting  
Baci Grill, 134 Berlin Rd, Cromwell, CT

## Minutes

The Statewide Video Advisory Council meeting was held on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 and called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Merja Lehtinen.

In attendance were the following members: Tad Weinstein, Michael Meinz, Merja Lehtinen, Marco Iacoviello, Douglas Poger, Gregory Davis, Russel Gomes and Phil Markuszka.

The following members were not present: Stephen Fuest, James Kelley and Paul Tontini, Wayne Church, Alex Fraser

Public in attendance: Stephen Mindera, JR from Eng Sky Cable XX111

Secretary Report:

Mike Meinz made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Mario Iacoviello. Minutes approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Year End Report was given out – 2016 year ended with \$25,378.39. The 2017 report was presented as well. Both Frontier (\$2,000.01) and Cablevision (\$2,000.00) paid this year and the amount is now \$29,215.90. Mike Meinz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Marco Iacoviello seconded the motion.

Annual Report:

Tad Weinstein handed out the Annual Report for all to see and he stated what is included in this report. Merja Lehtinen thanked both Tad and Lori Weinstein for the work done on the Annual Report.

Membership Report:

Mike Meinz told how he contacted 9 regions to have a representative sent to our meetings.

Technical Report:

Stephen Simonin was not present so no report at this time.

Providers Reports: No Providers Present

New Business:

Mike Meinz did research to create a webpage and he asked the membership to choose a name and to what is necessary to begin. He discussed what needs to be on the website and the related timeline as well as the fees necessary. Marco Iacoviello made a motion to accept going forward with the website and Russell Gomes seconded the motion.

Marco Iacoviello said that Comcast in Cromwell and a live Facebook page from the Public Access Studio. They are providing a laptop as well.

Public Comments: None

Legislative Report:

Russ Gomes stated that both bill 6119 and 6118 are dead for now. He spent lots of time with Paul Formica in Hartford and Kimberly King from the commission of Energy and Technology. This year is not the right time for both bills. Comcast wants to set up in 14 regions where they are not yet set up. This will create more competition in the areas.

Mike Meinz made a motion and Marco Iacoviello seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori B. Weinstein

SVAC – Recording Secretary