

MGAT
MILFORD GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

Regular Meeting
September 30, 2015

The Milford Government Access Television Committee (MGAT) held their Regular Meeting on Wednesday, September 23, 2015 in Board of Education conference room in the Parsons Government Complex. Chairman May called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Albert May, Chairman
Barbara Genovese
David Casey
Kara Flannery (7:37 p.m.)

Excused: Matt Gaynor

Consideration of Minutes of September 23, 2015

Mr. Casey and Mrs. Genovese made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2015 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment –none

Treasurer's Report – Ms. Genovese reported the balances in the accounts.

\$23,675 - GATA

Chairman May stated they had already received the funds.

\$4,995.15 City budget

\$139.00 cablevision budget. A brief discussion ensued.

Line Producer's Report –Mr. Rogoff reported as he has been recommending for years that the BOE have students in the audio visual department do some of the filming, however no one has ever taken him up. He stated he recently spoke with Tom Dillon from Foran High School and he has been able to get some student volunteers and that they have already recorded two BOE meetings. A brief discussion ensued.

Chairman May asked Mr. Rogoff what meetings he was unable to cover.

Mr. Rogoff stated he was unavailable for the October 5th Board of Aldermen and the October 6th Planning and Zoning Board meeting. He stated those meetings would be covered by the students.

Chairman May stated he has received correspondence from the BOE Chairwoman that they would like to have all of the BOE meetings recorded live. A brief discussion ensued.

Chairman May spoke of the filming of the Silver Sands meeting, which was covered by CTN. He stated he would contact CTN to see if it could be aired on MGAT.

Chairman's Report - Chairman May reported he attended the Cable Advisory meeting in September. There was discussion regarding the GATA grant and the purpose of that grant, which is for equipment and technical, not labor. He also reported that he believed if every town got their share of the grant, Milford might get less. He also noted there are two new members to the committee, Janet Montalbano and Dan Worroll. He stated there is now full representation from Milford.

Unfinished Business

a) **Budget forecasting** - create a system to track spending. He went on to explain the handout. He stated information he was providing was just an idea to show where they are with monies.

Mr. Casey stated he appreciated the report and asked the Chairman to continue with the report each month.

Mr. Rogoff stated he would like to see the expenses be flat each month. He stated the figures are not necessarily realistic because each month varies as to coverage of meetings.

b) **MGAT on Demand** - Ms. Flannery reported 34 subscribers. There have been 459 views since it was released.

Mr. Casey asked Ms. Flannery to explain the posting.

Ms. Flannery stated she has a drive which she purchased. She receives an MP4 file from Mr. Rogoff. Once it is ready for television it is also ready for U-Tube.

Mr. Rogoff asked about storage limits.

Ms. Flannery replied there were none. She stated her next step is to embed the link with the city's website. Discussion ensued.

c) **Fundraising** - Chairman stated since Mr. Gaynor was not available they should wait since he has ideas to run through the Committee. Chairman May commented about having a billboard regarding awareness of the station and creating language if some likes viewing the station, please send in donations.

Mr. Rogoff explained the process involved in adding that language to the DVD. He stated basically he would have to re-edit the DVD.

Chairman May stated he was looking at it going forward. Discussion ensued.

New Business

a) Back-up coverage for line producer - Discussed above.

Ms. Flannery stated the PTA Council is sponsoring a meet the Board of Education candidates which will be held on October. She stated it conflicts with another meeting already being recorded. She spoke of the costs they would have to pay if they wished to have the event filmed. She reported she also received correspondence from the library. She went on to speak about the requests being funded by the person making the request.

There being no further business to discuss, Ms. Genovese and Ms. Flannery made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The Committee adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy
Recording Secretary