

**MILFORD GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION COMMITTEE  
(MGAT)**

**REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 25, 2015**

The Milford Government Access Television Committee (MGAT) held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, November 24, 2015 in Board of Education reading room in the Parsons Government Complex. Chairman May called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**Committee Members Present**

Albert May, Chairman  
Barbara Genovese  
David Casey  
Kara Flannery

**Also Present**

Arney Rogoff, Line Producer

**Excused**

Matt Gaynor

**Consideration of Minutes of October 27, 2015**

Mr. Gaynor and Mrs. Genovese made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2015 meeting.

Chairman May pointed out that Mr. Rogoff had been left off the minutes again this month.

Mr. Rogoff pointed out one correction; he also stated the correct spelling is “*YouTube*.”

Motion carried unanimously as corrected.

**Public Comment** –none

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

GATA - \$21,625.25  
City budget - \$1,735.20  
Cablevision - \$39.44

Chairman May pointed out the city budget has been exhausted. He stated that account is now at \$0.

**Line Producer’s Report** –Mr. Rogoff provided the Committee with his written report. He stated he recorded meetings on November 4, 5, 9, 10, 17 and 23. He continued with a review of his report.

**Chairman’s Report** - Chairman May reported he had a meeting with Supt. Feser. He stated they spoke about incorporating more student participation in their productions and also provided two names. He reported they also discussed the possible fundraising event incorporating high school

students. He stated he would speak with Mr. Gaynor to see if he wishes to continue discussions on this project. Chairman May stated it was a productive meeting.

### **Unfinished Business**

a) Update: Board of Education request for 2016-2017 budget workshop coverage - Chairman May reported Mr. Rogoff he would be available for recording the budget workshops based on the dates he received from the superintendent's office.

Chairman May stated he would entertain a motion to grant the request of the BOE for filming production of their 2016-2017 budget workshops.

Mrs. Genovese moved and Mrs. Flannery seconded a motion that MGAT agrees to cover live the following Board of Education meeting/budget workshops, in exchange for a payment of \$1,000 from the Board to Education to MGAT: January 11, 2016 – regular meeting/presentation of superintendent's proposed 2016-2017 budget; January 13, 2016 – Board budget workshop; January 14, 2016 – Board budget workshop; January 20, 2016 – proposed date for Board approval of 2016-2017 budget; and January 21, 2016 – snow date for Board approval of the 2016-2017 budget.

Chairman May commented the agreement is based on the assumption the dates for these meetings will not change. He stated any changes would result in reconsideration of the agreement by MGAT to determine whether live coverage could still be provided. Chairman May further stated the agreement does not cover any additional workshops the Board may schedule beyond those listed above.

Motion carried unanimously.

b) Update: Board of Education 2016-2017 budget funding for MGAT - Regarding next year's budget Chairman May reported the Chair of the BOE has asked for documentation as to the monies spent for coverage of board meetings, production, etc.

Mr. Casey asked if the request was in writing.

Mr. Rogoff explained it was done for a budget presentation for the BOA. A brief discussion ensued.

c) Update: Back-up coverage for line producer - Chairman May reported Mrs. Flannery did receive some training.

Mrs. Flannery stated the process is very involved. She stated she will continue with a few more training sessions. She also commented it is good board policy to understand the complexities of the process. She stated her goal is to have completed training by March.

d) Update: Fundraising - Chairman May reiterated he spoke with Dr. Feser of the idea of a program for high school students. A brief discussion ensued.

Chairman May also discussed the idea of donations being made to MGAT and being placed in a special account created by the city. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Rogoff added he would like to put something up in the background at city hall for each of the meetings held there. Discussion resumed.

### **New Business**

a) 2016-2017 Fiscal year budget request – Chairman May stated he asked for \$1,600 more in the budget. He stated he would be meeting with the Mayor on December 15 and invited any member to attend. He continued with an explanation of the budget process.

Mrs. Flannery asked about the file server and the ability to be able to use that.

Mr. Rogoff stated it is really about money. A brief discussion ensued.

Chairman May announced the Committee historically has not meet in the past during the month of December.

Being no further business, Mrs. Genovese and Mrs. Flannery made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy  
Recording Secretary