

Fremont Cable Committee Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2015

In Attendance:

Bruce White, Chair

Bill Millios, Member

Leo Danjou-Member

Chairman opened meeting at 5:30 pm

Chairman Report:

The Chairman talked about two upcoming events:

- The December 12th Wreaths Across America” ceremony at the Town Hall and
- The Ellis School Holiday Concert on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at Sanborn Regional High School Auditorium

Both events expect to be videotaped for broadcast on FCTV CH 22.

Discussion by members:

- Bruce White talked about a warrant article to be proposed in the spring of 2017 for a minimal subscriber fee to be passed on to Comcast customers to help fund Fremont Community Television. He explained the rationale for the warrant to be put off until 2017 is in the interest of building more community support over the next 12 to 15 months. Fee should be something well under \$2 per month per customer. The fee would be on the television portion of the bill ONLY.
A formal motion was proposed by Bruce to commit the Committee to seek a Warrant Article for a subscriber franchise fee during the 2017 Town elections, seconded by Bill Millios, and passed unanimously.
- A stipend was discussed for all live broadcasts originating outside the Town Hall to match what is being paid for the Town and School Deliberative Sessions. A flat fee of \$40.00 with an additional \$10.00 for meetings that run for 3 hours or more. Bruce made a motion to propose the above stipend, seconded by Leo Danjou, and was passed unanimously.
- The third discussion was just a mention that FCTV’s first live broadcast, CIP Meeting, from the Town Library would be on Monday night, December 14th at 7:00 pm. The taping of the Ellis School Holiday Concert was mentioned again to see if members had any questions. Leo Danjou volunteered to tape the Holiday Concert.
- The budget report was postponed until the January Cable Meeting as no updated figures were currently available.

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- Bruce White made a motion to approve the minutes of the Cable Committee meeting of November 10, 2015. The motion was seconded by Bill Millios and passed unanimously.

Additional Business:

- Leo Danjou updated plans for the FCTV Facebook Page. Additional ideas were discussed again by all members. Leo agreed to continue developing the page and hoped to have something ready soon for members to view.
- Bill Millios discussed his research on putting board and committee replays on U-Tube. He also passed out information sheets on "Vimeo", an alternative to U-Tube which had a number of improvements over U-Tube. He explained it was a commercial venture with cost being free for basic service, \$59.95 per year for Vimeo Plus or \$199.00 per year for Optimal Service. Members kicked around the idea that Vimeo Plus for \$59.95 per year may be the way to go, depending on the services capacity. Bill will look further into that; in the meantime, members each have an informational sheet to look over for further discussion.
- Bruce White updated the members on the t-shirt & polo shirt order. T-shirts are ready and the vendor was just waiting on the polo shirts. He also mentioned he would be attending the Parks & Recreation meeting later in the evening to present his idea on the Parks & Recreation and the Cable Committee co-sponsoring an outdoor music concert this coming summer of 2016.

With no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.