

STURBRIDGE CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF 5/20/14

John Clancey called the meeting of the Cable Advisory Committee to order at 4:30p.m. The following members were also present: Kadion Phillips, Bruce Butcher, Steve Tieri and Don Fairbrother joined us (Steve Greenberg and Jeff Bonja were unable to attend).

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES John Clancy made a motion to accept the minutes of 4/1/14. Kadion Phillips seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 3-0.

PRODUCTION COORDINATOR'S REPORT

- Regarding town survey: Bruce has a proof to show from BT Copy and Printing.
- No more problems with camera operators. Bruce has two coming home from college who want to work for the summer and the schedule slows down in the summer anyway.
- Steve and Bruce have begun downloading programs from "Peg Media." We are currently running a series called "Legal Ease" and a second series named "The Folklorist."
- The Camp Robinson Crusoe documentary premiered at Old Sturbridge Village on Saturday, April 5th and was a big success. We filled the OSV auditorium. It was attended by people from 15 states. Senator Steve Brewer spoke at the beginning.
- A special presentation at the Senior Center was held on May 7th at 12:30. The documentary will premiere on Channel 12 on May 30th.
- Outreach to Public Access/Community Media Organizations: Visited with Rob Malherf of Brimfield specifically to take a second look at his studio and to talk about relations with Charter. After hearing about the Charter/Comcast business deal, Rob suggests a 10 year contract.
- Our own studio? We already have enough equipment to operate a small studio: We have cameras, tripods, floor-standing lights, audio/video switcher/character generator (all in Sony AnyCast) headsets.
- Climate control; installed an air conditioner in the Cable Access office.
- In June we'll resume recording shows at Second Chance Animal Shelter.
- Town Meeting is coming up on Monday, June 2nd.
- On the Selectmen's agenda for May 19th or some time in June?

ORIGINAL PROGRAMMING ON SCTV

Weekly Drive-In Movie; Sat. 8pm - will start "Westerns" in June  
Gourmet Grannies series  
Senior Center Seminars/Events  
Second Chance Animal Shelter series

WESO Various guest programs:

**WESO** Bob Briere Sturbridge History series  
**WESO** Politics as Usual series  
**WESO** College Planning series  
**WESO** Know the Law with Thomas Marino series

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REVIEW THE MAILING TO BE SENT:

The committee reviewed the mailing to be sent out. John Clancy made a motion, contingent upon discussed changes, to approve the survey proof. Steve Tieri seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 3-0. John Clancy made a motion to approve BT Copy and Printing as

the vendor and to go ahead with printing and mailing costs, not to exceed \$1,400. Kadion Phillips seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Don Fairbrother is the Mass Broadband Rep for the town. He had an MBI handout and discussed Mass Broadband and how the cable runs directly through Sturbridge. They did not connect Burgess which is very close nor Tantasqua (too far/too costly). It is approximately 7 miles up Brookfield Road. Don suggested trying to negotiate with Charter or the State Government to give us dollars to do this. It would be a great idea to replace old cable with fiber... worth a shot.

The next meeting was scheduled for 4:30 p.m., June, 17 2014, in the second floor conference room of the Town Hall.

On a motion made by John Clancey, seconded by Kadion Phillips, and voted 3-0 the meeting adjourned at 5:20p.m.