

Orion Community Cable Communications Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
7:00 PM, Thursday, August 10, 2023
Orion Neighborhood Television Studio

Members Present: Ralph Painter, Tom Watson, Joseph P. Belanger, Penny Shults, Kim Urbanowski, Carl Cyrowski, Nancy Moshier

Members Absent: Sarah Paine, Jim Zsenyuk

Also Present: Barbara Taylor, Administrator, Ian Locke, ONTV Executive Director

1. Call to Order - by Chair, Ralph Painter at 7:00 pm.

2. Call to Public – Stephanie Orth, LOHS

3. Approval of Agenda – Moved by P. Shults, seconded by C. Cyrowski to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

4. ONTV Garage Project Update – Bid reviews postponed as supplemental bid process open now.

5. Grant Proposal – from Lake Orion High School. Roger Smith, from LOHS presented the Grant request. I. Locke completed a cost analysis and confirmed costs and quality are appropriate. Moved by P. Shults, seconded by C. Cyrowski to approve the Grant as presented. Motion carried.

6. MICMA (Michigan Community Media Association) – I Locke, President of MICMA shared the current updates of the advocacy group and how proposed legislation could affect Franchise Fees for all Michigan communities.

7. Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting of June 10, 2023

Moved by P. Shults to approve with two corrections, seconded by T. Watson. Motion carried.

8. Commission Business

A. Outdated Village and Township Cable Ordinances – R. Painter suggested committee meet next week. Meeting will be scheduled with R. Painter, J. Belanger, I. Locke, B. Taylor – now that there is more information from MICMA regarding the legislation in Lansing. Copy of Ordinances and M. Watza opinion to be received and filed. Moved by C. Cyrowski, seconded by P. Shults. Motion carried.

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9. ONTV Board Reports – Moved by J. Belanger to receive and file both reports, seconded by T. Watson. Motion carried.

- A. Synopsis of July 12, 2023 Meeting
- B. Minutes of May 10, 2023 Meeting

10. Treasurer's Report

A. Payment of Bills - Moved by P. Shults to approve \$612,434.34 (\$500,005 were transfers to certificates of deposits for higher earning), seconded by R. Painter. Motion carried.

B. Investment Updates of transferring to two new banks for FDIC & higher interest and transfers to Michigan Class. Moved by K. Urbanowski to approve and seconded by T. Watson. Motion carried.

11. Cable Providers' Reports

C. Comcast Letter – June 13, 2023 – Price Changes – Moved by P. Shults, seconded by C. Cyrowski to receive & file, Motion carried.

12. Administrator's Report

- A. Subscriber Concerns Log – One business customer – referred to our rep.
- B. Comcast rep scheduled to attend October 12, 2023 meeting

13. Conferences and Conference Reports

A. ACM National, June 27-29, 2023, Brooklyn, New York – J. Tysick from ONTV attempted to attend. Flight cancelled and stalled due to weather and air quality. Will attend next year.

B. NATOA National, October 2-5, 2023, Long Beach, California – R. Painter & J. Belanger to attend.

14. Commissioner Comments

- T. Watson – Proud to approve the LOHS Grant. Congrats on new investments.
- N. Moshier – Great job on LOHS Grant – excited about the Garage.
- P. Shults – Excited about the Garage Project.
- K. Urbanowski – will research and find out more about legislation.
- C. Cyrowski – suggested a year end party.
- J. Belanger – discuss party in October.
- R. Painter – consider new bids for professional services every few years.

15. Adjournment – P. Shults moved to adjourn, seconded by N. Moshier. Motion carried at 8:10 pm.

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Submitted by: N. Moshier, Secretary - B. Taylor, Administrator

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