

**NORTH SUBURBAN COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
MINUTES
January 3, 2008**

I. Call to Order

The Commission Chairman, Steve Larson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at CTV North Suburbs, Roseville facility.

II. Roll Call

The following Commissioners were in attendance:

Craig Wilson, Arden Hills
Rick Talbot, Falcon Heights
Jeff Dains, Lauderdale
Rick Montour, Little Canada
Barb Haake, Mounds View
Steve Larson, New Brighton
Steve Beilke, North Oaks
Tom Kough, Roseville
Hal Gray, St. Anthony
Ady Wickstrom, Shoreview

Others Present:

Coralie Wilson, Executive Director
Kathi Donnelly-Cohen, Director Government Affairs, Comcast
Pat Doocy, Administration and Human Resource Manager

III. Public Forum

No one was present for public forum

IV. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Wickstrom moved, seconded by Mr. Montour, to approve the agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

V. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Wickstrom moved, seconded by Mr. Dains, to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2007, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

VI. Reports

A. Executive Report

Ms. Wilson reported that 850,000 households have submitted requests for coupons for the DTV transition that will occur in February of 2009. She wanted to remind subscribers that the coupons for the converters are only good for 90 days from the date they are mailed and, if they are lost, they will not be replaced. Coupons are available at www.dtv2009.gov or 1-888-388-2009. Ms. Wilson also stated that if televisions are connected to cable, there is no need for the converters.

Ms. Wilson reported that the appeals of the FCC's Second Report and Order on Video Franchising have been consolidated and filed with the Sixth Circuit and oral arguments on the appeal of the First Report and Order are scheduled for February 6.

Ms. Wilson also reported that MACTA Legislative Committee and the League of Minnesota Cities are working together on the State Cable Franchising Working Group. The Commissioners discussed whether there is a need for this legislation. Ms. Wilson has meetings set up with Representative Mindy Greiling and with Representative Kate Knuth, who is a member of the House Commerce Committee, to provide them with background materials and action alerts.

Ms. Wilson referred to the hand-out regarding the NATOA 2008 Policy and Legal Seminar which will take place April 3 and 4, 2008. She asked the Commissioners to contact the Commission office if interested. She also reported she has enrolled in the e-NATOA seminars for 2008, with the first one being on January 14 Primary Preview, which will discuss where the candidates stand on these issues.

Ms. Wilson stated that she received information from the Ramsey County Library that they plan to connect the Arden Hills Library to the city of Arden Hills putting an extension on our Institutional Network. She added that the Telecommunications Advisory Committee will be reviewing the contract with the Ramsey County Library and will make a recommendation to the Commissioners at a future meeting.

B. Attorney

Mr. Guzzetta was unavailable for a report.

C. Cable Company

Ms. Donnelly-Cohen said she will be getting Industry PSAs on the DTV transition to CTV to play on the channel. She announced that the Consumer Electronics Show will take place next week, and there will be announcements, new products, and increased speeds that she will be happy to talk about at next month's meeting.

Ms. Donnelly-Cohen stated that there is no direction at this time as to what will happen with the 621 proceeding, but she assured the Commissioners that Comcast will not do anything without sitting down and talking about future plans.

VII. General Business

A. Treasurer's Report

Ms. Wickstrom moved, seconded by Mr. Talbot, to approve the November 2007 Treasurer's Report. The motion was approved unanimously.

B. Nominating Committee

Mr. Montour moved, seconded by Ms. Wickstrom, to reelect Steve Larson as Chairman, Hal Gray as Vice Chairman and to elect Jeff Dains as Secretary/Treasurer. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. February Meeting Date

Mr. Kough moved, seconded by Mr. Talbot, to change the February 7th meeting to begin at 4:00pm. The motion was approved unanimously.

D. Discussion: I-Net Strategic Technical Plan

The Commissioners agreed to have a joint meeting with the members of TAC to discuss the next steps regarding the follow-up on the I-Net Strategic Technical Plan prepared by Columbia Telecommunications Corporation.

IX. Announcements

X. Adjournment

Ms. Wickstrom moved, seconded by Mr. Gray, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm

Respectfully submitted

Pat Doocy, Administration/Human Resource Manager

Jeff Dains, Secretary/Treasurer