

**NORTH SUBURBAN COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
MINUTES
April 5, 2007**

I. Call to Order

The Commission Chairman, Steve Larson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. 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
Amy Ihlan, Alternate, Roseville
Hal Gray, St. Anthony
Ady Wickstrom, Shoreview

Others Present:

Coralie A. Wilson, Executive Director
Steve Guzzetta, Attorney, Bradley & Guzzetta, LLC
Kathy Donnelly-Cohen, Director of Government Affairs, Comcast

III. Approval of Agenda

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

IV. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Haake moved, seconded by Ms. Wickstrom, to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2007, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

V. Public Forum

No one was present to speak at the public forum.

VII. Reports

A. Executive Report

Ms. Wilson reported on House File 2351 that was introduced on March 23. This is a bill being promoted by Qwest, and it calls for state franchising by the Public Utilities Commission. The sub-committee did not vote on it on March 23, which means it missed the first deadline for getting out of a committee. Ms. Wilson stated there will be another hearing on HF2351, and it is expected to be voted out of the division to the full committee, which will appoint an informal task force to look at the issue over the course of the summer

B. Attorney

Mr. Guzzetta stated his report is further in the agenda.

C. Cable Company

Ms. Donnelly Cohen reported that Comcast sent out notices of the possibility of not reaching a consent agreement with Sinclair, and therefore, would not have permission to carry Channel 8, but she said that an agreement has been reached and channel 8 will remain on the Comcast system.

Ms. Donnelly-Cohen reported Comcast had an outage this morning that affected the entire service area for about an hour and a half. She added that, at this time, Comcast has not been able to determine why the cable went out and why it came back on, but she will update Ms. Wilson by e-mail as soon as the report comes back.

Ms. Donnelly-Cohen said Comcast has no comment on the FCC 621 rule at this time because another part is coming out that effects current cable operators and current agreements. She added that Comcast has no inside information

VII. General Business

A. Treasurer's Report

Ms. Haake moved, seconded by Mr. Montour, to approve the January and February, 2007 Treasurer's Report. The motion was approved unanimously.

B. LMCIT Liability Coverage

Ms. Wickstrom moved, seconded by Ms. Haake, not to waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minnesota Statutes 466.04. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. FCC Order on Video Franchising

Ms. Wilson explained the FCC Order on Video Franchising and the process for filing comments.

Mr. Guzzetta highlighted the contents of the Order

After considerable discussion, Mr. Talbot moved, seconded by Ms. Haake, to affirm staff's authorization for legal counsel to prepare comments and reply comments for the Further Notice Of Proposed rulemaking on local video franchising at a cost not to exceed \$3,500. The motion was approved unanimously.

D. Appointment Scholarship Committee

Ms. Wickstrom moved, seconded by Mr. Montour, to approve Mr. Talbot, Ms. Haake and Mr. Gray as members to the Scholarship Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

E. Re-Inventing the North Suburban Communications Commission

Ms. Wilson stated that, with the possible regulatory changes and with the report from Columbia Telecommunications Corporation regarding the Institutional Network Comprehensive plan, it is imperative that we take some time to discuss the future and think about reinventing the Commission. She suggested a 3-4 hour work session focusing on the Commission and a separate work session for the Access Corporation at a later date.

IX. Announcements

Mr. Larson thanked the crew for this evening's shoot: James Schreiber, Bob Hurston, Jim Nebel, Justin Delzer, Dave Swanson, Nicholas Marrone, Jack Walsh, Bill Walsh, Lynn Redlinger, Kevin Schmitz and Mark Tarman.

X. Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted

Pat Doocy, Administration/Human Resource Manager

Craig Wilson, Secretary/Treasurer