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Telecommunications Commission Meeting

Wednesday, February 13th, 2013 – 6:00 pm
Administrative Conference Room, 1930 S Germantown Road

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ald. Rocky Janda, Sandra Abel, Tom Messenger, Ken Ketcham, Dan McCleary, Jack Parnell, William Stevens and Kurt Weil

MEMBERS ABSENT:

PRESENT STAFF LIASON: Tony Fischer, IT Director
Stephanie Logan, Technical Services Coordinator

PRESENT NON MEMBERS: Ted Beasley, GHS-TV
Lucy Fulliton, GHS-TV Co-Manager

Call To Order

Chairman Ketcham called the February 13th, 2013, Telecommunications Commission to order at 6:02 p.m. Tony Fischer conducted a roll call and it was noted a perfect attendance and quorum had been established.

Approval Of Minutes

Chairman Ketcham called for the approval of the January 9th, 2013 Telecommunications Commission Minutes.
****MOTION****

Sandra Abel made a motion, seconded by Jack Parnell, to approve the January 9th, 2013 Telecommunications Commission Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

GHS-TV Report

Ted Beasley stated the January 2013 monthly statistics for GHS-TV: Germantown Community Television cablecast 744 hours of programming. The total number of non-repeat local and national television shows by show title cablecast is 71. The total number of local and national television shows by number of airings per month cablecast is 271. The total number of television shows/taped reports/special projects produced locally is 27. The total number of television shows/taped reports/special projects produced locally for the 2011-2012 season is 156. The total number of programs produced for the Access Together Project for 2011-2012 seasons is 67.

Alderman Janda requested information on COMCAST viewership. Kurt Weil stated that Neilson viewership would be what tracks that.

Alderman Janda also requested information on student contribution participation in auctions etc.

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IT Report

Tony Fischer reviewed the IT update and briefly overviewed it for new members.

- **Public Safety Radio System** – Work continues for the Public Safety Radio System Project and Go Live for the system was January 16th. Testing continues as the legacy equipment is being migrated over to the new system.
- **New World CAD Upgrade** – New World consultants continue to conduct on-site training and software installation/configurations. Training and system configuration is expected to continue on various components of the system over the next 6-8 months.
- **Google Apps** – Staff is continuing to work with the Google Apps vendor. The project received BMA approval at the January 14th BMA meeting. System deployment is anticipated during the 4th Quarter with a tentative “Go Live” scheduled in mid-may.
- **ATT U-verse** – Installation has been completed and City PEG channels are available for viewing on ATT U-verse

Tom Messenger questioned the U-Verse coverage.

Old/New Business

Members were reminded about the Ethics policy that should have been handed in.

- **COMCAST Audit** – still in legal discussions but no resolutions as yet. Chairman Ketcham stated that there was a recommendation to start the audit for the remaining 18 months of the city ordinance by legal.
Commission members discussed options at length.
Chairman Ketcham stated that he was not up to another audit and asked if it might be possible that the city would contract a CPA firm.
The item was opted to be tabled for further discussion at the next commission meeting.
- The Knoxville encoder item was then discussed. Chairman Ketcham reviewed the letter issued regarding the equipment replacement. He then stated the statement from the State Regulatory Association has never been issued. When he followed up he was told that it was in the attorney general's office.

Adjournment

Chairman Ketcham called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

****MOTION****

Kurt Weil made a motion, seconded by Sandra Abel. The motion passed unanimously.