

Lakeville Cable Advisory Committee Meeting

May 13, 2019

Present: Bob Marshall, Ian Lewis, Tom Cirignano

Guest: Jose Invencio, Executive Director, LakeCAM

Location: Lakeville Library (Large Study Room)

The meeting was called to order by **Bob** Marshall at 6:00 P.M.

1. Reorganization:

- a. Tom Cirignano nominated Bob Marshall as Chairman, and it was seconded by Ian Lewis. There were no other nominations. All voted in favor: 3-0.
- b. Tom Cirignano nominated Ian Lewis as Vice Chairman, and it was seconded by Bob Marshall. All voted in favor: 3-0
- c. Bob indicated that, while Walter was unavoidably absent tonight, he had spoken to Walter and felt sure he would continue on as secretary. Therefore, Bob nominated Walter as secretary, and it was seconded by Tom Cirignano. All voted in favor: 3-0

2. Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Cirignano and seconded by Ian Lewis to approve the Board's February 4, 2019 minutes. All voted in favor: 3-0

3. Joshua Lane Issue: Ian inspected the sites on Joshua Lane and reported that there was, in fact, no main conduit into which Verizon could insert a fiber line so that the homes on that street could have the option of Verizon or Comcast, despite the fact that there appears to be two minor conduits from the street to the houses. The issue of whether Comcast actually paid for the main conduit and, thereby, might have a right to deny use by Verizon, remains unknown at this time. *Bob expressed many thanks to Ian for taking the time to inspect the sites and make this report.*

4. Police Station: The Committee was informed that the police station opening is scheduled for early June but may be pushed back a week or so later. The actual date of the Verizon to LakeCAM hookup, therefore, remains unknown at this time. However, Ian reported that he's been in contact with Lakeville's IT specialist to identify the best time to make this connection and will continue to do so.

5. LakeCAM Budget projections: The board discussed the need to have LakeCAM budget projections and inventories for the next three plus years in case Comcast requests such information at the negotiating table. Jose indicated that he has

most of that information at present and is working to pull together any further info needed.

6. Ascertainment Process: Jose and Walter have a copy of a suitable survey for townspeople to use to evaluate their experiences with Comcast, and Bob has spoken with our tax collector and gotten her permission to insert a notice of the website on which the subscribers can find the survey. Jose agreed to find a site (like Survey Monkey) on which said survey can reside for the subscribers' use. We will then be able to access/download said info for our ascertainment use. NOTE: We should note here that, within six months of receipt of Comcast's initial renewal letter, we will need to hold a public ascertainment meeting for the purposes of gather input from the town re Comcast's performance and Lakeville's needs.
7. Comcast Negotiations: The board reviewed Bill August's letter of response to Comcast initial renewal letter. The board affirmed that it was fine and should be sent A.S.A.P.
8. Late Item: DOR Bulletin/Special Town Meeting Warrant Article: Bob updated the board as to the apparent "indecision" (in some quarters/towns) as to whether this bulletin must be followed. We are proceeding under the premise that it will need to be followed. **NOTE:** After our meeting, Bob attended the Selectmen's Warrant review and heard the same "indecision" expressed by/to the board by Rita Garbitt, Town Administrator. The BOS took it under advisement with the caveat from Rita that the issue will likely not be resolved until shortly before the Town Meeting. The article remains in place on the Special TM Warrant at this time.
9. Late Item: Bob received that very afternoon an email from Tracie McGee that indicated the chair of all committees needs to send a report to the BOS in late June that notes the attendance of all members of the CAC along with the chair's recommendation as to any members s/he feels should not continue.
10. Adjournment: The CAC adjourned at 6:55 PM.