Minutes Board Meeting 4-11-17

Present: Ron Rodjenski, Peter Wolf, Tim Chamberlin, plus staff Jim Hering and Angelike Contis.

Called to order at 6.45

Minutes: Peter makes a motion to approve minutes of 1-25-17. Tim seconds. Passes.

Financials: Angelike reviews financials, which are within budget. The board will take action (Ron will call, Peter may be made signatory) so that we can 1) improve money market interest rate, which TD bank said possible 2) transfer funds into a better paying CD.

Second Channel: Comcast letter distributed, which says that Comcast has approved our request for second channel, but needs 30-45 more days to prepare their engineering estimate. Jim and Angelike will use this time to research on alternative server platforms, including at the annual meeting and otherwise prepare. The goal is to make the addition by May/June.

Board will probably need to hold an "emergency meeting" when we are about to make the decision.

Comcast also notified us that our contract renewal is on hold till CPG renewal issues are resolved on state level.

20th Anniversary: Angelike to speak to VYCC about holding a big fall fundraising dinner. Will also speak to Stone Corral about fundraising idea. We are distributing town meeting materials to potential underwriters.

Other Business: Tim Nulty approached MMCTV about possibly playing our content as one of the channels he aims to offer public as a part of a Jericho/Underhill fiber optic network package. Angelike shares info from Greg EpplerWood on this point. Group discusses pros/cons of offering material outside of Comcast/Vimeo. Perhaps older material most appropriate.

We sent a camera to be used in Gary Beckwith's Haiti solar project video. We will help Friends of the Winooski with a project. Board recommends both a drone and street camera.

Discussion of lease renewal. Perhaps the best idea is to get a six-month renewal.

Peter makes a motion to adjourn. Tim seconds.

Meeting ends at 7.30pm.