

Town of Ayer
Cable Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for January 3, 2023

Attendance: Scott Kurland, Chair; Jannice Livingston, Vice Chair; Janet Providakes; Julie Murray; Chief Brian Gill

Also in Attendance: Robert Pontbriand, Town Manager

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 8:35am by S. Kurland.

S. Kurland read the following remote participation statement:

*Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, in accordance with Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law (OML), public bodies otherwise governed by the OML are temporarily relieved from the requirement that meetings be held in public places, open and physically accessible to the public, so long as measures are taken to ensure public access to the bodies' deliberations "through adequate, alternative means." This meeting will be live on Zoom. The public may participate remotely by joining Zoom (**Meeting ID# 813 1850 5727**) or by calling (**646-931-3860**). For additional information about remote participation, please contact Carly Antonellis, Assistant Town Manager at atm@ayer.ma.us or 978-772-8220 ext. 100 prior to the meeting.*

Review and Approval of the November 29, 2022 Meeting and December 13, 2022 Meeting:

R. Pontbriand requested that the December 13, 2022 meeting minutes be deferred to the next meeting. The Committee concurred.

J. Murray offered to help R. Pontbriand with the December 13, 2022 meeting minutes.

Motion: A motion was made by J. Livingston and seconded by J. Providakes to approve the November 29, 2022 meeting minutes. **Motion Passed 5-0** by roll call vote as follows: S. Kurland, Y; J. Livingston, Y; J. Providakes, Y; J. Murray, Y; Chief Gill, Y.

Review and Discussion on PowerPoint Presentation and Video for the January 18, 2023 Public Hearing:

S. Kurland reviewed the proposed PowerPoint for the January 18, 2023 Public Hearing with the Committee.

R. Pontbriand suggested that there should be a slide showing the cost impacts of the Committee's proposal.

J. Livingston liked the slide showing the benefits of APAC and we really want to stress those benefits at the Public Hearing.

The Committee concurred with the content of the PowerPoint presentation.

S. Kurland showed a brief Video he produced about APAC showing the benefits and the many activities, meetings, and events that they covered.

J. Livingston stated that she really liked the Video and it should definitely be shown either right before or right after the PowerPoint presentation.

Discussion on Format and Plan for the January 18, 2023 Public Hearing:

J. Providakes stated that she would take care of getting the pizza and refreshments for after the Public Hearing.

The Committee discussed some of the logistics for the Public Hearing on January 18, 2023 and decided to have another meeting to review all of the details.

The Committee decided to discuss all the logistics at their next meeting on January 12, 2023.

Scheduling of Next Meeting:

The Committee schedule its next meeting for Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 8:30am on Zoom.

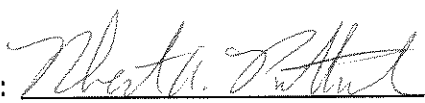
Motion: A motion was made by J. Providakes and seconded by Chief Gill to adjourn the meeting at 9:26am. **Motion Passed 5-0** by roll call vote as follows: S. Kurland, Y; J. Livingston, Y; J. Providakes, Y; J. Murray, Y; Chief Gill, Y.

The meeting adjourned at 9:26am.

Meeting minutes recorded and submitted by R. Pontbriand, Town Manager

Meeting minutes reviewed and approved by the Cable Advisory Committee on January 24, 2023.

Signed:



Robert A. Pontbriand
Town Manager