

## CATV Advisory Committee

Minutes from 08-11-14

Attended by Peabody, Bongers, Przybyl, Seyfert, Olson, and ex-officio members Christ and Icenogle.

Called to order at 4:04 p.m.

No minutes were available from the July meeting.

Reviewed the 2014 budget to date. No questions or concerns were raised.

Video Age Productions is ahead of schedule on program delivery. Some Ripon, Etc. scenes have been recorded.

Ripon Channel staff recorded the Republican primary election candidate forum on August 1st. We are continuing to capture and edit concert video from the Concerts on the Green series. Discussed the installation of new Council Chamber microphones.

There was discussion of the franchise mechanism for high school tournament sports coverage. There is an apparent consensus on the committee that the current fee arrangement is prohibitively high.

The PegCentral streaming service is now operating properly, offering Ripon Channel programs for on-demand viewing. We are still searching for a music bed solution for the community message board.

Channel 987 is now reconnected and functional. Discussion of what programming we would like to see on that channel.

Preliminary discussion of the 2015 CATV budget. Christ mentioned the approximately \$24,000 difference between projected franchise fee collections and the CATV allocation. He also proposed the sale of certain programs produced under a different contract to the Ripon Channel. Icenogle again proposed putting the contracted programming out for public bid. There was some discussion about the form of the bid request. There was discussion of several aspects of the 2015 budget allocations. Peabody suggested that CATV pursue a share of the City's room tax dollars for 2015.

Adjourned at 4:58 pm.