CHAMPAIGN-URBANA CABLE TELEVISION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

DATE: June 14, 2005

4:00 PM

PLACE: Champaign City Building, Conference Room EC1

102 N. Neil St, Champaign, IL

MEMBERS PRESENT: CHAMPAIGN URBANA

Rick Atterberry Barbara Gladney

Giraldo Rosales

Karen Walker (by phone)

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Stan Yagi (by phone)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Peter Resnick, Brian Silverman, Tom McDonnell

STAFF PRESENT: Chris Foster - City of Urbana

Jeff Hamilton - City of Champaign

OTHERS PRESENT: Carl Caldwell – UI-7

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum obtained, Chairman Atterberry called the special meeting of the Champaign-Urbana Cable Television and Telecommunications Commission to order at 4:04 PM.

DISCUSSION

Review of 2005-06 Commission Budget

Chairman Atterberry shared that the Commission's 2005-06 budget had just been approved. Jeff Hamilton explained that the budget increase the Commission had requested was not approved by City management, but that funding would remain at \$5329 next year.

Chairman Atterberry reviewed the Commission's normal/fixed expenses as estimated for next year. This included the Commission's estimated expenses for professional memberships, PEG insert printing, and the cost of sending a Commissioner to this year's NATOA conference. These expenses add up to an estimated \$3784, leaving an unallocated balance of \$1545 for next year. Chairman Atterberry pointed out that this early review of next years expenses was germane to the next agenda item.

Committee Funding

Commissioner Gladney made a motion that the Commission allocate \$1488 from the 2005-06 Cable Commission budget towards expenses of the Public Access Study Committee. Commissioner Gladney explained that the funds would be used to pay for a consultant to come to Champaign-Urbana and educate the Committee/Commission/public in a series of public meetings. Money would also be used to promote two public access-related forums.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Rosales.

Commissioner Yagi asked for clarification about the motion. He asked if the motion would essentially allocate all the Commission's remaining funds to the Public Access Study Committee. Chairman Atterberry replied yes, assuming the Commission decides to send a member to the NATOA conference this year. Chairman Atterberry shared that at a recent conference, he spoke with a colleague about the Public Access Committee, and the colleague endorsed Sue Buske as the person most knowledgeable about the subject.

Chairman Atterberry called a roll call vote. All voted yes. Motion approved 5-0.

Commissioner Gladney inquired if there would be a July Study Session meeting. Chairman Atterberry responded that he would speak with Mr. Hamilton about the possibility of canceling that meeting.

ADJOURNAMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Hamilton Telecommunications/AV Technician City of Champaign