

Cable Committee 5-22-23

Location

- NCTV, 198 Church Ave, Northbridge, MA 01534
- Remote via Zoom

*Approved
6/28/23*

Began at 7:00 PM

Present

- Sharon Ampagoonian, Harry Berkowitz, Jim Hackett, Benjamin Corman, JP Corriveau, Michael Yetsko

Guests

- Adam Gaudette, Town Manager
- Bill Tartaglia, NCTV
- Bill Hewig, KP Law
- John Maher, Charter Community

Absent

- None

Reviewed Proposals per Charter

- Can do 5% total, amongst annual and capital, that's all Charter will do
- HD Channels come with a cost \$800/month, may be able to be done via IP with no cost, Charter is not aware, Bill T. is going to talk to tech consultant again
- Program guide is available from 3rd party, Charter had not responded in past
- For Seniors there is an FCC discount you can apply for, possibly \$30/month, some amount for devices, income based, started during COVID
- Last two checks have not been accounting breakdown, John will look into it
- Locking in channels as requested is very complicated, John doesn't fully understand, not sure it can be done, 192/193 no changes on horizon, moving to 194 is not likely possible per Charter
- Per John, quarterly checks are an option
- Support for public access, call John and he'll get someone to help
- Need a copy of proposed contract, Bill H. took recent Charter draft, redlined for town needs, Bill H. will send today
- John M. and Bill H. are meeting tomorrow to discuss
- John left meeting @ 7:42 PM

Discussion w/ Bill H.

- John M. has not given much in the last few years
- Will try to use Grafton deal as leverage, haven't seen anyone else who has
- 3,300 subscribers is quite a few, so funding should be good