

Cable Commission Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2016

Present: Kathy Hanson, Nate Wilkinson, Eric Lipponen

Programming

Mr. Lipponen's review of current programming is as follows:

- The "Home for the Holidays" events went very well. Mr. Lipponen has offered to be on the planning committee and has told Alyson Leno to keep him in mind for anything she has in the works so CAT7 can be a part of it.
- The Rubber Chicken Theater revue was re-played through January.
- Boys and Girls HS and Wilderness hockey games were televised in January, as well as girls basketball games.
- The last "Into the Wilderness" episode was a tour through the locker room and weight room.
- The Cloquet School Board meetings have been interesting to view since the December 14th Truth in Taxation hearing.
- February 9th was the first Planning Commission meeting to be shot.
- The set for "Harry's Gang" will be updated to reflect election year.
- Religious themed cartoons have been added to the Sunday lineup.
- Researching adding a program on how to make a movie that will target teens.

Upcoming Programming Plans

Mr. Lipponen's update on upcoming programming plans are as follows:

- Final boys hockey game, Wilderness home games, and the upcoming City Council meeting.
- A full length documentary in a 3 part series on the 1918 Cloquet Fire will be aired.
- Jason Mitchell restarted the idea of making a documentary about hockey in Cloquet that will focus on the Cloquet HS team and player success in college and the professional level. This is still in the planning stages.
- Need to get back to making Pet Project PSAs with Friends of Animals.
- The upcoming meeting regarding the MS plans is going to be a big event.
- Caleb Peterson, City Assistant Engineer, sent Mr. Lipponen information on video PSAs to start adding into the rotation.
- Mr. Lipponen brought up the idea of a town hall meeting with the City Council that would focus on upcoming projects, i.e., parks, streets, public concerns, etc.

Other

- Mr. Fritsinger and Mr. Lipponen met with Zach Raskovich regarding Media Com issues (closing the local office, digital conversion, etc). Concerns and expectations were voiced. Mediacom is willing to complete putting in the drops.
- Mr. Lipponen started to run a PSA offering public input on show ideas and searching for hosts. H received his first call last week.
- There was an incident of vandalism/theft at CARC in January. A computer and parts of the camera head were missing. CAHA and the Wilderness staff are aware.
- Reminder to keep CAT7 staff in the loop of upcoming meetings/events.

- Mr. Lipponen stated that the Nexus had reset or reverted to an old image and much of the CAT7 library was lost, although backed up on external drives. Mr. Lipponen is researching the cause and trying to correct it.
- Issues with live feed during the Planning Commission meeting. Waiting for Mediacom to follow through with fixing the problem.
- Holly Butcher is passing on ideas for spring time shoots.
- Mr. Lipponen and Mr. Mitchell have been experimenting with lapel mics vs. boom mics.
- Getting back to training exercises with CAT7 staff independently. Working on ensuring all equipment is packed for remote shootings putting items back where they belong when finished using.
- Mr. Lipponen will be meeting with a screenwriter that wants to interview him regarding a screenplay about a small town cable access station.

Future Agenda Items

- Mr. Wilkinson suggested starting an automated backup to Mr. Lipponen's computer to avoid Nexus issues again.
- The next meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

Hearing no other items of discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.