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Organizational Meeting
Cable Communications Commission

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

Oak Tree Restaurant

March 23, 1983

Members Present:

Larry Albertson
Jane Cummins
Wayne Herring
Bert Pennock
Dorothy Rogers
Mel Schroder
Carol Wheeler

Ex officio Members Present:

Rick Schaal, Liberty Cable Television
Tommy Tucker, Newberg City Council

Others Present:

Rick Faus, Newberg City Attorney
Arvilla Page, Newberg City Recorder
Mrs. Katz, Interested Citizen

The meeting was called to order by Tom Tucker as acting chairman.

Each of the people present introduced themselves and gave brief backgrounds and their interest in television.

Selection of officers:

Motion: Pennock-Wheeler to nominate Mel Schroder Chairman. No other nominations were received. Mel Schroder elected Chairman unanimously.

Motion: Cummins-Albertson to nominate Carol Wheeler Vice-Chairman. No other nominations were received. Carol Wheeler elected Vice-Chair unanimously.

Motion: Wheeler-Rogers to nominate Wayne Herring Secretary. No other nominations were received. Wayne Herring elected Secretary unanimously.

Chairman Schroder asked Mr. Tucker to continue chairing the meeting as it was the organizational meeting. Mrs. Page would write the minutes for this first meeting.

Mr. Tucker presented an orientation of the cable television system development in Newberg.

The Commission discussed the need for a pilot project. Mr. Schaal recommended there be one subject area for the pilot project. Some possible pilot projects mentioned were the May Day celebration in cooperation with the Newberg High School and a theatrical program in cooperation with George Fox College. Mrs. Katz stated her interest is in developing spanish language programming. The need for technical training was discussed and Mr. Schroder recommended that training workshops be conducted while the Commission prepares projects. Mr. Schaal recommended that the next meeting of the Commission include a technical workshop just for the Commission members. The Cable company will conduct workshops for any others interested three days per week if necessary.

The interests of Dayton and Lafayette were discussed. Mr. Albertson stated the city of Lafayette is more oriented toward McMinnville but high school students would be very interested, particularly when the McMinnville system is installed. Mr. Herring stated the Dayton high school is small with about 200 students. He felt the drama department would be very interested.

Mrs. Rogers distributed copies of 'Newberg High School Television Programming' 'A Rationale For Implementation'. A group interested in television production, led by George Dickey and Vance Snell, is already active.

Mr. Faus called the attention of the Commission to the contents of their packets. Included in the packets were copies of all the ordinances relating to cable television. Ordinance #2106 sets out parameters for the Commission. Also included in the packets was a summary of the Oregon Open Meeting law which affects any actions of the Commission. Mr. Faus outlined some things the Commission can and cannot do under the law.

Mr. Schaal issued a challenge to the Commission, "Use all the time available on the 7 access channels".

Motion: Albertson-Rogers to accept the High School's May Day program as the initial pilot project. Carried unanimously.

The Commission agreed that technical training should begin as soon as possible and Mr. Schaal was asked to provide a schedule for training that included how many and how often.

The next meeting was set for Thursday, April 7, 1983 at 7:30 p.m. at Liberty's business office. The meeting to be one hour for business and one hour for training. Thursdays were determined to be the best days for the members to meet.

The following procedures were determined: Members are to contact the Chairman with items for the agenda. The Chairman will submit the agenda to the City Attorney for posting and Liberty will distribute the agenda and back up material to the members along with copies of the minutes of previous meetings. Typing of the minutes will be done by the Liberty staff. Receipts for expenditures will be submitted to the Newberg City Finance Officer for reimbursement.

The meeting adjourned to Liberty Cabel Television for a tour of the facilities.


Arvilla Page, Newberg City Recorder