

**Station Manager's Report, submitted by Grace McNamara on Friday, 2/21/20**

## Administrative:

- The final details of LRPA's Annual Meeting, to be held on Wed., 3/31, at 5:00 p.m. need to be set at our February meeting. If we want to stream this meeting, we can do that from anywhere. ***\*discussion required\****
- LRPA's 2019-'20 Board meetings are held on Tuesdays, 3:00 p.m. at the Station and the remaining dates are **March 31 (Annual Meeting, 5 p.m.), April 28, May 26, June 30.**

## Budget/Fundraising:

- As of Fri., 2/21, LRPA has received the 2020 basic cable subscriber numbers from each municipality **except for Northwood**. The numbers have gone down from last year and are as follows:
  - Belmont: 1,464 (down from 1,505, loss of \$266.50)
  - Gilford: 2,519 (down from 2,642, loss of \$799.50)
  - Laconia: 4,639 (down from 4,854, loss of \$1,397.50)
  - Meredith: 2,176 (down from 2,267, loss of \$591.50)
  - Northwood: Unknown; last year was 890

Without Northwood's numbers, the loss is \$3,055.00. Holding the per subscriber rate at \$6.50 will make the FYI '20 - '21 budget tight, as we will be paying an additional \$3,200 per year in cloud storage, VOD and annual maintenance fees (none of which is negotiable). The per subscriber rate needs to be voted on at the February meeting so that Jeanne may run invoices and I can update the municipal agreement packages. ***\*discussion and vote required\****

- As of 1/26/20, LRPA miscellaneous revenue for FY 2019-'20 is \$1,080.00.

## Equipment/IT/Website/Studio:

- On Tues., 2/18, Shane and I went to Access AV for a second demonstration of the 3 channel Castus QuickRoll server system. It was a useful demonstration for both of us, as Shane was able to ask questions of the representative and see the newest programming interface for himself. Also, he and I were able to fully discuss the work required to implement the new system. Access AV has given LRPA an updated quote on the server system (I included this quote in the Board documents attached to your latest email). Please note that this latest quote is valid until March 12, 2020. As a reminder from last month's board meeting, Jeanne has suggested that LRPA might move forward and purchase this server before the end of the current FY (June 30, 2020).

## Personnel:

- Jordan did an exceptional job taping and editing a presentation by the Belmont PD on the town's Warrant #2 Article regarding the proposed new police station building.

## Production and Programming:

- In preparation for the installation of the new server sometime before the end of this FY (see Equipment/IT/Website/Studio above for details), I have been methodically deleting old content from the server. Mostly this has included religious and municipal programming, but nothing historically significant. I have eliminated more than 2TB of content from the server which will help enormously when the content is migrated over.

- On Thurs., 2/27, LRPA will be working with TEG Productions to live stream and produce the next Laconia Talks! presentation. It is on neighborhoods and will take place at the Community Center from 5:30 – 7PM.
- Since the Board last met on 1/28, we have taped 3 new Belknap County meetings (two Delegation, one Commission). Several meetings were cancelled or postponed due to weather. The 2/10 Delegation meeting lasted 3.5 hours and was posted by the following afternoon, thanks to the excellent work of Jordan and Shane (*Jordan stayed at the office until 12:15 a.m. to finish that meeting*). The County is still finalizing the 2020 budget.
- We continue to download movies, TV shows, cartoons and more in the public domain.
- New shows produced/aired or airing since January: Belknap County meetings, Belknap Mill Annual Meeting and renovations tour, *Fitness Made 4 You*, *Gilford Public Library Lectures*, Laconia Historical Society, *LRPA After Dark*, LRPA January Board Meeting, National Gallery of Art, *New England Wolves Hockey Show*, NH Executive Council (2), *O! Melodious Show (2)*, religious programs, meetings from Belmont (including annual Town meeting), Gilford, Meredith and Northwood (including Town Deliberative Session and Candidates' Night) and updated Inter-Lakes and Northwood School Board meetings.

Public/Community/Station Relations:

- *LRPA After Dark* press releases continue to run in the Salmon Press papers and the *Laconia Daily Sun*.