

Lakes Region Public Access TV

Annual Meeting

June 30, 2020

Chairman Trish Stafford (member at large, Gilford) called the meeting to order at 11:02AM with Jeanne Beaudin (member, Belmont), Jack Landow (member at large, Gilford), Ron Cole (member at large, Belmont), Phil Warren (member, Meredith), Bob Hamel (member, Laconia), D. Chan Eddy (member, Gilford), Nancy LeRoy (member at large, Laconia), Grace McNamara, Station Manager; Joe Gustafson, TV Director; Marc McNamara, Technical Advisor. Absent: Joe Jesseman, (member at large, Tilton); Ken Curley, (member, Northwood).

M, S, P, to accept the minutes of May 26, 2020. (Chan, Jeanne)

M, S, P, to accept the Treasurer's Report; Budget of \$75,660 vs expenditures of \$63,606.46 leaving a plus balance of \$12,617.25. Cash on hand \$73,574.03 plus our Savings of \$20,103.99. We have not received Northwood payment for this year, nor Laconia's. Laconia will pay after July 1st. Grace has been in touch with the new administrator in Northwood and has sent him all of the paperwork. (Chan, Phil)

M, S, P, to accept the Station Manager's Report: June was a busy month. LRPA videoed and live-streamed the Laconia High School graduation. This event is the largest outdoor event LRPA has ever done. We incurred some expenses, but the cables and tent will be useful in the future. (Nancy, Ron)

State of the Station: This is Grace's fifth year with LRPA. This year, we purchased the Castus Server and it was installed in late April. It allows 24/7 video on demand and streaming capabilities. We entered into a strategic partnership with TEG productions. Wherever possible we changed live events into virtual events. New innovation ways to share programming. Each municipality has an evening time slot once a week. We upgraded our internet package (to accommodate this) to 500 download, 40 upload speed. We have two new AC units thanks to the school. There are 485 fewer subscribers this year over last. Bank of New Hampshire has given us a five year loan of \$10,000 to enable purchase of the Castus Server. Grace has put in a grant application for a Cares 2020 grant for approximately \$5,500, for a tent, and a field production recorder. We have established partnerships with the Daily Sun, Lakes Media radio stations, WMUR and produced a lot of municipal and non-profit community events. We have 40 regularly scheduled programs that are all new either every or every other week. There are many fewer in studio filmings. We currently have 49 lives events (38% lived streamed). We have achieved our goals for this year.

2020:

live website – increase in live programming – continue on medium-range plan (upgrade cameras) – recruit volunteers – update the policy manual (done in 2016) – conflict of interest policy. We cannot stop upgrading our technology.

M, S, P, to accept the State of the Station Report.

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Bob Hamel thanked Grace for her leadership and all agreed!!! ☺

Chan thought that maybe we could go to the schools and get from them their videos which we could put on air.

The meeting adjourned at 11:46 AM

Next meeting July 28th at 11AM via Zoom

Nancy G. LeRoy, Secretary

