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**VILLAGE OF NEW GLARUS
CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMITTEE
August 26, 2013
Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Present: Joan Betz, Kaye Gmur, Jessica Geib and Susie Weiss. Absent: Don Malaise. Also Present: Administrator Nicholas Owen.

Agenda: Motion by Kaye Gmur to approve the agenda as presented, second by Susie Weiss. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Kaye Gmur to approve the minutes of the 2/25/13 meeting, second by Susie Weiss. Motion carried.

Discussion: Equipment Upgrade/2013 Budget: Year-to-date the \$1,990 has been spent on the cable access channel from the \$8,500 budget leaving a balance of \$6,510. Administrator Owen explained that \$2,500 was carried over from the 2012 budget to allow for the purchase of a digital recorder. He will follow up with Cable TV Advisor Don Malaise to see if we are able to make the purchase this year. The committee discussed the use of the cable access channel and that the new equipment should be able to post to the website as well as the channel. Susie Weiss will contact the hotel/motel owners to see if their TV systems use cable and if so if they could be set so the cable access channel comes up when the TV is turned on to notify guests of events for the Village during their stay.

Discussion/Recommendation: 2014 Budget: The current draft of the 2014 retains the \$6,000 for the cable access channel budget. The consensus of the committee was to request carry over remaining funds from 2013 for the 2014 budget if the recorder cannot be purchased this year.

ADJOURN: Motion by Susie Weiss to adjourn, second by Kaye Gmur. Motion carried. Time: 5:45 p.m.

Administrator Nicholas Owen

**VILLAGE OF NEW GLARUS
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February 25, 2013
Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Present: Dave Wyttenbach, Susie Weiss and Jim Salter. Absent: Kaye Gmur and Don Malaise. Also Present: Administrator Nicholas Owen.

Agenda: Motion by Jim Salter to approve the agenda as presented, second by Susie Weiss. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Jim Salter to approve the minutes of the 8/27/12 meeting, second by Susie Weiss. Motion carried.

Discussion/Recommendation: Addition of Access Channel to TDS Network:

Administrator Owen reported that TDS was looking to start their own cable network and have asked if the Village would like to add our access channel to their new network. Adding the network would require an investment of about \$8,000 for new equipment. The past direction of this committee was to focus on upgrading equipment to be able to do more with online posting rather than cable TV. The committee questioned the numbers of residents whom were currently subscribed to cable TV and the long-term benefit of adding an addition cable channel. Consensus of the committee was to not proceed with adding a channel to the TDS network until there is a determined demand from residents.

Discussion: Equipment Upgrade/2013 Budget: The 2013 Budget for the cable access channel is \$6,000, with the addition of the carry over approximately \$3,000 from 2012. The committee held the funds over from 2013 for the purchase of a digital recorder. The committee discussed the use of additional budget for upgrading equipment for recording more Village meetings. Jim Salter will research options for digital recording equipment.

ADJOURN: Motion by Susie Weiss to adjourn, second by Dave Wyttenbach. Motion carried. Time: 5:48 p.m.

Administrator Nicholas Owen

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