



**HOLLISTON CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**c/o Select Board**  
**703 Washington Street**  
**Holliston, Massachusetts 01746**

*Committee Members:*  
Jay Leary  
Lindsey Morris  
Barry Sims

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, June 25, 2020, 4:30pm**  
**Remote participation**  
**Phone # 646-558-8656, meeting ID : 823 8143 9351**

- 1- Open Meeting Law statement.**
- 2- Attendance of Committee Members and guests.**  
Committee: Barry Sims, Lindsey Morris, Jay Leary. Guests: Bruce Gilfoy, Attorneys William August & Paul Trane.
- 3- Review/approve April, 2020 minutes.**  
Vote to approve, Motion by Jay Leary, Second by Lindsay Morris, all voted in favor.
- 4- Verizon Informal License renewal negotiations.**  
Barry Sims discussed the fact that the Town would be in favor of a 10 year renewal and would be happy to consider renewing under similar terms as the current license in order to streamline the process for both parties. Mr. Trane indicated that Verizon was looking to a 3-5 year license, but recognized the additional renewal burden on the Town and suggested that there might be an additional "premium" paid to compensate for the additional renewal costs.
- 5- Review Town needs and information gathered from Public hearing & ascertainments.**  
There was a lengthy discussion around the Town's needs, a compilation of the extensive ascertainments by various Town groups and by Public Hearing. A folder of documentation was provided in advance of the meeting to all parties. The growth of PEG access over the past several years was discussed. Both financial and other Town needs were discussed as well as the fact that Verizon has 60% of the cable subscribers in Town. Mr. Trane acknowledged their growth from startup to today, but indicated that the video market was becoming more and more fractured, leading to loss of cable subscribers ("subs"). Mr. Trane suggested that he would get back to the Committee with a draft license that we could review and informally discuss in the next few weeks.
- 6- Adjourn-5:25pm**  
Motion to adjourn by Jay Leary, second by Lindsey Morris. All voted in favor.

Approved 8/18/2021