

1 **Northwest PEG-TV**

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3 Northwest PEG-TV Board of Directors Meeting

4 October 19, 2015

5 Minutes

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7 **Present for a quorum:** Rick Tatro, Joe Halko, Virginia Holiman, Tim Stetson, Michel  
8 Consejo, Gregg Gervais (arrived at 2:03 p.m.), Marilyn Grunewald (arrived at 2:15 p.m.)

9 **Unable to Attend:** David McWilliams, Jill Snapp

10 **Administrators:** Elizabeth Malone, Paul Snyder

11 **Visitors:** None

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13 1. Call to Order- Rick Tatro called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. at the Saint  
14 Albans Free Library.

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16 Gregg Gervais arrived.

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18 2. Election of Officers- All of the positions become available each year after election.

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20 **Rick Tatro made the motion to nominate David McWilliams as President, Rick Tatro**  
21 **as Vice President, Marilyn Grunewald as Treasurer, and Jill Snapp as secretary;**  
22 **Gregg Gervais seconded the motion.**

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24 **Rick Tatro made the motion to withdrawal the previous motion as he was**  
25 **nominating himself; Gregg Gervais seconded the motion.**

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27 **Joe Halko made the motion to nominate David McWilliams as President, Rick Tatro**  
28 **as Vice President, Marilyn Grunewald as Treasurer, and Jill Snapp as secretary;**  
29 **Gregg Gervais seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.**

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31 3. Programming Report- Paul Snyder was contracted by Northwestern Medical Center  
32 to produce a Pink Glove music video in support of Breast Cancer. This video  
33 included the staff dancing, and recognized the survivors. After the video, Paul  
34 Snyder had a chance to interview staff and make a 16 minute documentary. The  
35 music video had over 5,000 views, and the documentary had over 1,200 views.

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37 Marilyn Grunewald arrived.

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39 4. Treasurer's Report- The Treasurer's Report was attached to the Board's packet for  
40 review.

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42 **Virginia Holiman made the motion to accept the Treasurers Report as submitted;**  
43 **Michel Consejo seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.**

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45 **Joe Halko made the motion to accept the checks written throughout the month;**  
46 **Gregg Gervais seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.**

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2 Virginia Holiman arrived.  
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4 5. Executive Director's Report- Elizabeth Malone explained Paul Snyder is offering  
5 classes. Beginning Thursday, November 6, 2015, he will be offering Camera  
6 Work from A to Zoom, which focuses on recording. No Excuse, Time to Produce  
7 which begins on Wednesday, November 12, 2015, is a studio time class. On  
8 Wednesday, October 21, the Comcast CPG hearing will take place at the VIT  
9 locations across Vermont. That night, the Public Service Board doesn't want to  
10 hear from Board members or staff of access television as they are part of the  
11 negotiating party, but from customers. Some of the concerns for Access  
12 Televisions is Comcast does not host NWATV's schedules, which VAN is  
13 working on finding Access Televisions schedules across the nation. Another  
14 concern is having the same TV features, like High Definition. The CPG issues an  
15 eleven year contract, and this is the only time the Public Service Board listens to  
16 the public. Elizabeth Malone has hired Jake Ledoux as intern and he will create  
17 Public Service Announcements for NWATV. Dave Ryan who currently works for  
18 VIT will join NWATV after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. VIT will be closing its doors on  
19 January 31, 2015. Zach Scheffler has also joined the staff.  
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21 6. Old Business

22 a. Building Committee Update- Rick Tatro, Elizabeth Malone and Patrick  
23 Malone met a few weeks prior to look at the lot for sale in Franklin Park  
24 West which is near Care Partners. Patrick Malone has built Trader Joe's in  
25 Burlington, so he has a vision for FPW, including landscaping, solar near  
26 the interstate, and repaving. Patrick Malone has explained he will sell the  
27 property for \$65,000 for 3/4 of an acre. The moratorium will be lifted on  
28 November 15, 2015. If the moratorium does not get lifted, NWATV will  
29 need to have a Plan B, and continue looking for a piece of property. Rick  
30 Tatro will also be looking into the possibility of having a sewer/well  
31 installed at the FPW location.  
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33 **Gregg Gervais made the motion to purchase the property at Franklin Park West**  
34 **contingent on the water/sewer moratorium. If is this moratorium does not work,**  
35 **NWATV will visit Poquette's property before the December Board Meeting; Michel**  
36 **Consejo seconded the motion. The motion carried 8-0-0.**  
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38 b. Enosburg Expansion- Joe Halko and Michel Consejo visited the Fairfield  
39 Select Board to discuss the expansion, and had a positive response.  
40 Fairfield wanted to make sure this would cost the tax payers money, and it  
41 was explained that only the subscribers would pay the extra fee. Michel  
42 Consejo and Elizabeth Malone will be visiting Montgomery and Berkshire  
43 on October 19, 2015 to discuss. The application to gain the Enosburg  
44 Expansion will need to be submitted, and within 60 days, NWATV will  
45 have a response.  
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1 7. New Business

2 a. Annual Meeting- There was a good turnout for the Annual Meeting on  
3 October 5, 2015. The price for the event was not a great deal, and it was  
4 crowded. The TV was dark and the volume was bad for the videos that  
5 were shown.

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7 b. Scholarship Discussion- Elizabeth Malone explained every year there are  
8 very few applicants, one scholarship for \$1,000.00 that is picked by Dan  
9 Marlow is awarded to a student in honor of Paul Legacy. There are two  
10 other \$1,000 scholarships that go to BFA or MVU students. Last year there  
11 were no applicants, so the money went to pay for the Film Fest. Elizabeth  
12 wanted to know if they should change the criteria of the scholarship. The  
13 Board will discuss this at a future meeting.

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15 Marilyn Grunewald left at 3:25 p.m.

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17 8. Approval of Minutes 09/21/2015 and Annual Meeting 10/05/2015- The minutes of  
18 September 21, 2015 and October 5, 2015 were attached.

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20 **Virginia Holiman made the motion to approve the minutes of September 21, 2015**  
21 **and October 5, 2015 as submitted; Joe Halko seconded the motion. The motion**  
22 **carried 7-0-0.**

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24 9. Adjourn

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26 The Board adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

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32 Brianne King, Board Recorder

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37 **David McWilliams, President**

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41 **Rick Tatro, Vice President**

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45 **Marilyn Grunewald, Treasurer**

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**Jill Snapp, Secretary**

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**Virginia Holiman**

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**Tim Stetson**