



**Brookfield Public Access Committee
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 23, 2009**

Members Present

Michael P. Seery
Ronald J. Dackson
John D. Holdcraft

The meeting opened at 7 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss some issues that had been brought to the attention of Mike Seery from Selectmen Mr. Rudy Heller. Mr. Heller had indicated prior to the meeting he wanted to meet with the committee to discuss some changes he would like to see in regards to filming the selectmen meetings and the possibility of a remote camera. Mr. Heller had intended on being present at the meeting but did not attend.

Mr. Seery made it clear to the other members present that he no longer wished to be the chairman of the committee because of other obligations but wished to stay on the committee and continue to occasionally film local events when time allowed.

Mr. Holdcraft moved and Mr. Seery seconded a motion to nominate Mr. Dackson as chairman, and Mr. Seery as clerk. All were in favor.

Mr. Dackson then mentioned to the other members that in the future we should consider upgrading the computers and Mini T to the internet so that in the future members could update the bulletin board from a remote location outside the studio if necessary. Mr. Dackson said we may have to get a speedier connection to the internet for this to happen. Mr. Dackson also mentioned that we should also look towards purchasing and installing battery backups for all of the equipment in the event of a power failure there would be no loss of output or programming. The committee discussed this proposal and agreed that it is something that should be done in the near future. Mr. Seery moved and Mr. Holdcraft seconded a motion to go forward with all the proposals discussed. All were in favor.

Mr. Seery then mentioned that one of the cameras was not able to playback tapes properly and the committee should look into repairing that camera or purchasing a new one. No action was taken.

Mr. Seery brought up Mr. Heller's concern that a remote camera should be placed in the town hall banquet room. Mr. Holdcraft mentioned that the committee had looked into that several years ago and went to West Brookfield and the camera was operated by the administrative assistant. It was determined at the time this would not be feasible for the cable access committee.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael P. Seery