

**MOAPA VALLEY TV MAINTENANCE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

January 6, 2009

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**Call to Order 7:29 p.m.**

At Old Overton Gym, 353 West Thomas Street, Overton.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dan Pray, Chairman; JD Hudrlik, Bob Lyman and Christine Trombley

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Roy Wilmer

**STAFF PRESENT**

Angie Perani, Sec'y./Treas.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

None

For the following agenda items, all members present voted in the affirmative unless otherwise indicated.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**

**A. Conformance with open meeting laws**

The secretary certified that the agenda was posted per open meeting laws.

**B. Approval of agenda and minutes**

FINAL ACTION: The agenda for tonight and the minutes for December 2, 2008 were approved.

**C. Pay monthly bills**

Since the last meeting, a check for \$75 (November) to Gary Hayes, and a check for annual BLM rental of \$2,778.16, were written. Along with the monthly bills, a check for \$825 to Gary Hayes for December legal services and a check to Byron St. Clair for engineering consulting services in the amount of \$2,047.50 were written. The latter concerns the channel movement previously planned, with licensing changes. A possible \$1,000 reimbursement of this cost may be forthcoming from PBS due to their need to use our old Ch. 11.

FINAL ACTION: All present agreed to pay the monthly bills, along with the extra charges as detailed by the secretary.

**REPORTS**

**A. Financial**

The estimate of all account balances is \$50,548.23, without subtracting the checks (approximately \$3,500) signed today. New signature cards for the bank were signed by all members except Roy (next meeting), so that checks can be signed by any two members. Dan announced that a previously applied-for federal NTIA grant of \$1,000 per license, or \$7,000 total, was received to help with the digital conversion. Further grant money may be available; Angie will report on this.

December tax receipts of \$292.78 were received from the County; a total of \$55,350.61 has been received out of a possible, estimated \$57,888 based on the taxpayer list.

A letter was drafted to the two site tenants explaining the 2009 charge of \$179.64 per month for a BLM microwave site usage, along with the usual small electrical and rack charge.

FINAL ACTION: The Board voted to send the letters to the tenants as written.

**B. Equipment and Site:** Unfortunately, weak and changing signals and old equipment which won't be replaced are affecting the quality of the system. Bob Lyman indicated he would like a tour of the site. Dan suggested a trip could possibly be scheduled January 17, and that new keys would be given to the board members when door repairs were completed by JD. Meanwhile, pictures are available on the web site.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**A. Welcoming and orientation of two new board members**

Most of the agenda items were expanded upon to provide background and up-to-date information for the new members. For example, information on each expenditure was provided, channel plans were described, and basic operating information about the District was provided. Both members were enthusiastically welcomed.

**B. Determine expenditure item amount that will require Board voting approval**

The TV Board has not had a firm rule about what minimum amount could be spent without approval of a majority of the Board. After discussing that Roy often has to spend a few hundred dollars without delay to make repairs or replace equipment, the Board decided \$500 would be a sufficient minimum amount that should require board approval.

FINAL ACTION: If an expenditure by the District is expected to exceed \$500, a majority of the five TV Board members must approve the expenditure before a commitment is made.

**C. Discussion of channel movement, antenna design, other hardware possibilities**

Dan reported that the expected supplier proposal detailing the antenna design the Board is contemplating was not yet available. The salesman is contacting his engineers, but no order decision can be made until the design is approved.

**D. Review and possible approval of plans or decisions resulting from above discussion**

FINAL ACTION: Tabled for this meeting.

**E. Review and possible approval of immediate needs for hardware, maintenance**

FINAL ACTION: No additional orders are proposed for this meeting.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

**A. Five Year Development Plan discussion if not covered above, including community channel**

Further discussion was bypassed for this meeting.

**B. Other subjects for discussion only.**

Mail was received from Channel 3 asking for a contact name, if we planned to continue retransmission. Dan welcomed the chance to open a dialog with the station and will reply.

**COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

Two persons from the community attended the meeting, and were encouraged to ask questions or make comments throughout. Most of their comments fit in with the new-member orientation, such as short and long-term plans and reasons for decisions.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Moapa Valley TV District is at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 in the Old Overton Gym, 353 West Thomas Street, Overton.

Approved:  
MVTVD Board

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