

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

January 5, 2010  
**APPROVED MINUTES**  
**Call to Order 7:00 p.m.**

At Old Overton Gym, 353 West Thomas Street, Overton

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

**STAFF PRESENT**

Angie Perani, Sec'y./Treas.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

One member of the public

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 the December 1, 2009 regular meeting were approved.

**C. Pay monthly bills**

Monthly bills were as usual, with a \$44 check for postage. Checks written during the previous month were \$1,600 to Sitco for antennas, \$4,850 to Larcan for two transcoders, and \$2,088.54 to Satlink1 for site maintenance and parts in December. Additional checks were written at the meeting, to Kimfab for a fabricated combiner stand, \$269.38, to CMC Economy Steel for anchor piping, \$183.12, to Satlink1 for additional cabling, set-top convertors and site visits, \$540.45, and to Larcan for the balance on the transcoders, already in use, of \$408.12.

FINAL ACTION: All present agreed to pay the bills, after formally voting to approve Sitco antennas and Satlink1 maintenance charges as reviewed by the Board. Larcan charges were approved previously.

**REPORTS**

**A. Financial**

The current account balances are estimated to be \$25,939.44, with tax revenues of \$311.70 this month. Dan cautioned that expenditures have to be carefully considered for the rest of the fiscal year, since the Bearcom bill is still expected, and almost all tax revenue has been received.

**B. Equipment and Site**

Roy stated that all channels are up, and that all expected digital channels are receivable on the hill. The combiner is in position in the building; the power company placed it efficiently on the stand, as promised. Dan said that Bearcom is scheduled to finish the cable installation next Tuesday, and then a final bill will be sent, possibly \$10,000 for their work. Due to a couple of channels becoming digital only, Roy installed the set-top boxes (temporary) so analog could continue. It is expected that a digital transmission will be tried with the new equipment as early as the end of this month. As a new subject, the Christian Broadcasting Ch. is presently on our site, per the County, but the power company said they have no problem with them returning to their site, so that they will not be a tenant for MVTVD. Dan indicated he would telephone the CB Ch. to check. Roy indicated that very soon signed letters authorizing re-transmission must be obtained from all affected stations.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**A. Follow-up on previous: year-end financials, county, grants, logo, PBS, Sinclair**

Financials are not yet completed since some accounting principles need to be reviewed, and there is no news anymore from the County. For the grant, the equipment is not yet installed. Logo samples are not yet ready. Angie will follow up on the PBS invoice this next month, since it was just sent. Sinclair will probably allow us to switch between their channels, which are both on site; Roy mentioned the change to them.

**B. Discussion of new equipment installation**

As per the site report, the new equipment installation is proceeding as fast as possible. Dan said that this new equipment represents most of the planned change for this fiscal year. Roy indicated that approximately \$14,800 would be needed when possible (next year), to pay for 3 new Pineapple amplifiers.

**C. Review and possible approval of costs resulting from above discussion**

FINAL ACTION: No action is required now.

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

No further needs are known.

FINAL ACTION: Tabled.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

**A. Five Year Development Plan discussion if not covered above**

No comments were made at this time.

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

Dan said a new Chairman could be appointed for this year, but his re-election by the other members was unanimous. Bob Lyman wondered if there was any further news on tax assessment exemptions. Dan explained that no exemption process would be undertaken during the current five-year plan (legal advice), but that residents can petition for land use reclassification, which could make them exempt from the \$24.00. Also, new Board members could run for election, which could change the votes for the assessment process, done annually. Next, the Board discussed the paperwork required from them as elected/appointed trustees, to be sent to the County as soon as possible. Then, Christine said that the seniors were having significant problems with TV's, antennas, and set-top boxes. She indicated that the lunch meeting on weekdays, starting at 11 a.m., would be a time and place to present some information on the District's plans and advice on problems. Dan felt a short preliminary appearance would help, followed by a more formal presentation when the equipment is further along on installation.

**COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

One citizen attended this meeting and said that he had activated his antenna after two years of no use, and was having difficulty receiving certain channels. Dan suggested that the TV should be programmed for antenna transmission, even if no other input was available (the TV doesn't know which is available, and certain channels are affected based on this selection). Future plans for transmission were discussed, and the Board offered further help to the attendee if necessary.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

The next normally scheduled meeting of the Moapa Valley TV District is at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, in the Old Overton Gym, 353 West Thomas Street, Overton.

Approved:  
MVTVD Board

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