# MOAPA VALLEY TV MAINTENANCE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

October 7, 2014

# **APPROVED MINUTES**

Call to Order 7:00 p.m.

Old Logandale School, 3011 N. Moapa Valley Blvd., Logandale

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dan Pray, Chairman; Roy Wilmer, JD Hudrlik, Bob Lyman, and Craig Fabbi

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

#### **STAFF PRESENT**

Angie Perani, Sec'y./Treas.

# **OTHERS PRESENT**

Vernon Robison, Gayle DeCaria, others

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

## **INITIAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**

#### A. Conformance with open meeting laws

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

# B. Approval of agenda and minutes

FINAL ACTION: The agenda, and minutes from the September 2, 2014 regular meeting were approved.

# C. Pay monthly bills

Monthly bills were as usual, with the addition of a bill for \$2,107.20 to the Radio Club for the repairs on antennas already paid for by insurance.

FINAL ACTION: All present approved payment of the bills.

#### **REPORTS**

#### A. Financial and Mail

The total of all accounts is now \$90,330, with \$83,211 in checking. The September service charge receipts were \$48,384, the largest of the year. The annual BLM inventory sheet is the same as last year, for December billing. Dan negotiated with Ch. 3 to get an updated authorization to retransmit their signal, since they had received an FCC reminder to do this. No other channels have yet been heard from. Ch. 3 is being sold to Sinclair Broadcasting, with plans to keep the content but to make changes, probably including their Ch. 21 transmissions, in the coming year. Also, Dan told the Board that he had found out there would be no compensation for any channels removed by FCC changes for low-power re-transmitting units. Any payments will go only to primary broadcasters.

A rate change notice was received from Farmer's Insurance, but the renewal for truck insurance has already been paid, so this does not seem significant.

#### B. Equipment and Site

Roy said the site is performing well. He had several questions about the insurance policy that covers the site, and is concerned that the omission of building coverage means that the equipment inside is also not covered. The building was apparently not insurable without the installation of security cameras and a fence totally surrounding it. He plans to check whether the coverage is spelled out in the insurance document, and if we can get statements in writing about this. An exact equipment list was not given to the insurance company, but an estimated cost of \$160,000 to \$175,000 had been provided at the time of ordering. Mike Qualheim is still the agent for the policy.

Roy said that the 3 transmitters just received are already installed and appear to be working well. Roy explained the need for a second modulator, which should be ordered from Technalogix as soon as possible, so that it can be sent with the transmitter they are readying to ship. The Board approved a cost of up to \$4,000 for the unit, the actual cost of which won't be known until it is ordered. FINAL ACTION: A modulator is approved to be ordered as soon as possible, at a cost of up to \$4,000 from Technalogix.

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#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

# A. Work in Progress

Dan said that Technalogix is preparing to ship another transmitter, and that the new modulator could be sent at the same time if it is available. The final 5 transmitters are being worked on and should be sent in the near future. Dan will call Trade West for the generator enclosure completion, since Richard Jones is ready to do the generator move. Wheeler Electric will also be needed to complete some electrical work.

# **B.** Community Channel Plans

Dan said that he had met with Elwood to discuss what can be done. Next, he was working on the audio transmission process. Vernon reported that he has been researching the broadcasting of school sports events, and that it can be done as expected. The editing process needs to be worked out, but he said that 2 cameras would be used. The Board felt that this was a very good idea, and Craig said that it would begin to engage community viewers of all ages. Roy said he felt one person needs to be responsible for this type of content, and Dan agreed to call our lawyer to see if a document can be put together that could be used to guarantee responsibility to the appropriate person and free the Board from such responsibility.

#### C. Discussion of Hardware Ordering

This subject was covered in the site report above.

# D. Review and approval of costs or immediate needs

FINAL ACTION: None OPEN DISCUSSION

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

No further discussion was held.

# B. Other subjects for discussion only

No new subjects were raised.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one had further comments.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

The next normally scheduled meeting of the Moapa Valley TV District is the regular meeting on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., at the Old Logandale School, 3011 N. Moapa Valley Blvd. in Logandale.

Approved: MVTVD Board

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