CABLE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING 5-29-14

MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Discuss board duties & responsibilities See draft Interlocal Agreement
 - a. New board member Joe Gray (welcome!)
 - b. Norm L'hereux Having health issues and will probably not return.
 - c. Reaffirmation of board duties and responsibilities.
 - d. Meeting format how we conduct meetings and what schedule do we want to use (Need to schedule meetings to facilitate discussions before events occur)
- 2. Budget Issues What is currently going on with the cities that will determine our budget considerations?
- a. Not sure at this time if the cities will cut our budget in the fiscal 21014-15 year.
- b. Lewiston has stated that they have cut our entire budget in 2012-13 and not 50% in 2013-14. This is a change from what was anticipated based on discussions with the cities. Auburn will cut 50% of revenue for us in 2013-14. We have not received info regarding the upcoming fiscal year.
- c. How will we address severe reductions in revenue due to city cuts? What options do we have to address these reductions?
- d. Auburn requested that we present a modified budget proposal for 2014-15 which would refer back to 2012-13 and use the requested amount less 10%. We accomplished this by a health insurance change from POS to POP starting in January 2015 which will result in \$6,100.00 savings. We also remove the camera purchase and all contingency provision for equipment that breaks or needs to be replaced. No determination has been given by Auburn in regards to what changes we would be required to make.
- 3. LAEGC and GFTV According to ongoing discussions with the committee for determining future funding and resources for LAEGC, GFTV is still being considered to as a potential partner as a marketing and technological resource. Discussion also continues regarding merging GFTV with LAEGC and placing the operational and financial control of GFTV under LAEGC. This is to assist LAEGC with marketing and technological resources in their goal to increase economic development. Future discussions with the LAEGC committee will determine the outcome. GFTV has not been consulted in these discussions.
- 4. Ongoing concerns for station operations into the future.
 - a. Inter-local Agreement is needed to establish a formal agreement between the 2 cities concerning GFTV.
 - b. Franchise Agreement renewal with provisions for capital improvements and continued operation of the station.
 - c. The continuation of established policies that have been in place since 1999. We would like to continue to provide the established services to city government and the community .
- 5. Upcoming meetings and schedule. What topics do we wish to discuss at our next meeting. Follow-up discussion regarding station issues.