

Cable TV Advisory Council of Eastern Connecticut Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 5:30PM by Chair Michael Meinz.

Roll Call of Members

Members Attending: Michael Meinz, Temistocles Valdes, Stephen Marchesseault, Jason Anderson, Jeffrey Robillard

Members Absent: Craig Merriman, Dan Cleary, Andrew Whitehead, Serg St. Felix

Breezeline representatives attending: Jeffrey Gold, David Hennessy

SEC-TV representative attending: Frank Facchini

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the prior meeting was made by Stephen Marchesseault and seconded by Jason Anderson. The motion passed 5-0-0.

Treasurer

At the previous meeting, a \$2000 grant was made to SEC-TV to support the state-wide CAP lobbying campaign.

Current balance \$11,597.24

Correspondence

- A letter acknowledging the \$2,000 grant to SEC-TV was received.

Public Comment

- None

Breezeline

- Several outages this winter caused by extreme weather and an increased number of car's knocking down poles.
- Temistocles Valdes reported on some problems after repairs made after January 24th outage. Jeffrey Gold will investigate and respond to Temistocles Valdes.
- Breezeline has developed the capability to send SMS text messages about outages.

SEC-TV

- Frank Facchini met with local Breezeline leaders to discuss his request for a Neighborhood Assistance Grant from Breezeline. The local leaders are supportive. They will be submitting the proposal to upper Breezeline management.
- Separately, Frank Facchini applied for a grant to start streaming of SEC-TV channels.
- Frank Facchini reported that several Waterford studio producers have successfully made the transition to the temporary studio location at the Groton SEC-TV studio.

New Business

- 2025 Officer Election Nominations.
 - Chair: Michael Mainz
 - Vice-Chair: Stephen Marchesseault
 - Secretary: Vacant
 - Treasurer: Craig Merriman

Old Business

- None

Advisory Council Member Communications

- None

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01PM

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Mainz