



REPORT OF THE PERMANENT CABLE COMMITTEE 2015

March 2015

The annual LIVE Rotary Cable Auction aired in Middleborough, Lakeville and Freetown the weekend of March 14 & 15. The Permanent Cable Committee continued working with the Town Manager and GMEG to create a new full-time position, Video Production Technician, for MCCAM.

18 meetings/events covered in the month of March.

April

MCCAM covered of the Annual Town Meeting using new portable switcher and 3 cameras. The A/V projector presentation input was replaced in the BOS meeting room (moved to wall instead of floor). Zachary Grundy was hired to fill the full-time Video Production Technician position (start date, May 14).

18 meetings and events covered by MCCAM including the annual Canoe Race and 2nd Annual Herring Run Festival with Cranberry Country Journal.

May

The PCC (Permanent Cable Committee) contracted with Phoenix Communications Inc. to extend the INET to the Housing Authority building (\$9,781.25) on Benton Street. A new IMac workstation was purchased for volunteers to use and for training purposes at MCCAM. The PCC contracted with LCN for Network Equipment Maintenance & Support in the amount of \$17,227 (20 month contract effective 10/1/14). This contract included a major platform upgrade and support for the VOIP system.

21 meetings and events covered in May including the Memorial Day events, Sheep Day, Library and COA events.

June

Board of Selectmen vote to renew 3 yr terms for Robert Silva, Steven Callahan and Nicholas Guarda.

Current Terms for Permanent Cable Committee Members are as follows:

Robert Silva	term ending June, 30, 2018
Steven Callahan	term ending June 30, 2018
Nicholas Guarda	term ending June 30, 2018
Robert Denise	term ending June 30, 2017
Maureen Candito	term ending June 30, 2017
Paul Lazarovich	term ending June 30, 2017
Adam Pelletier	term ending June 30, 2016
Mark Mobley	term ending June 30, 2016
Donna Bernabeo	term ending June 30, 2016

The PCC contracted with Intricate Consulting for the Go LIVE project installed at MHS to allow a LIVE signal output on the GOV channel from any location in the high school that has connection the INET (\$5,600).

13 meetings and events covered during the month of June. New volunteer/users : Ken Bartell, Joey Driscoll,

July

The PCC contracted with Watch24 to install a video monitoring security system with 8 cameras throughout the Town Hall

for the protection of MCCAM equipment and safety of MCCAM employees. (note: within 8 hours of starting the recording, a person was caught vandalizing the flowerpots on Thatcher's Row). The PCC purchased and installed a security gate in the basement hallway coming down the ramp outside the MCCAM office.

21 meetings and events covered in July including the 4th of July events and Parks & Rec shows and concerts on the town hall lawn. New volunteers/users: Brian Brides, Jacob Parsons, Donna Bernabeo, Jerrold Ellis

August

Karen Foye worked with the Health Department and Brewster Ambulance to assist them in creating a video on choking to be distributed by the Health Department. MCCAM participated in Krazy Days and had a contest that made people more aware of the MCCAM website. The Town received a check for \$2500 from Freetown for inter-municipal cable access agreement bi-annual payment (goes into the General Fund).

19 meetings and events covered during the month of August including The Summer Concert Series at the Town Hall.

September

MCCAM worked with school administrators to create a promotional video for Public School Technology Fair. Zack and Karen participated in training for Tightrope upgrade (Tightrope is the software used for programming and scheduling the Public and Government access channels as well as the on air bulletin board).

15 meetings and events covered in September including the Soule Harvest Festival.

October

The PCC voted to upgrade the new security system and also added 2 additional cameras. The PCC renewed the annual Alcatel Equipment & support contract from LCN (valid 11/14 thru 6/16) \$14,975.63. This contract is for support of the network switches on the Town owned INET.

18 events and meetings covered in October for MCCAM including multi-camera shoot for the Special Town Meeting, Oktoberfest with Cranberry Country Journal and COA harvest festival event.

November

MCCAM covered the Emergency Preparedness workshops for Town Employees and made it available with a link on demand.

19 meetings and events covered by volunteers in November including Veterans Day events, Hall of Fame awards and the annual Christmas Parade.

December

The PCC upgraded the auditorium video system at Nichols Middle School for Middleborough Education Television for a total cost of \$37,695. The PCC and Karen Foye and the Permanent Cable Committee developed a security camera policy which was adopted and added to the MCCAM Policies and Procedures.

17 meetings and events covered in December including Festival of Lights with Cranberry Country Journal, annual Tree lighting, LIVE nativity performance and other holiday events at the library and COA.

January 2016

MCCAM worked with the new Library Director, Friends of the Middleborough Library and the Library Trustees to create a promotional piece on the library and to introduce the new Director to the Town. MCCAM renewed our MassAccess membership for Karen and Zack. MassAccess is a group comprised of PEG Access Studios throughout Massachusetts.

20 meetings and events covered in January.

February

The Town received \$2500 check from the Town of Freetown for bi-annual payment of channel 95 cable access feed. Replaced Broadcast Pix server, extended warranty and updated software. Worked with Catherine Hassett to create the Food Handlers Course DVD for local establishment training.

22 meetings and events covered in the month of February.

Current active MCCAM volunteers

Jim Cosgrove

John Healey

Lynn Rocha

Lori Ashley

Nick Guarda

Donna Bernabeo

Jacob Parsons

Joey Driscoll

Paul Lazarovich

List of board/committee meetings covered weekly/monthly by MCCAM:

Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee

Police Building Committee

Planning Board

Historical Commission

Oliver Estate Advisory Committee

Middleborough Gas & Electric Commissioners

Tourism Committee

Commission on Disability

Conservation Commission

Zoning Board of Appeals

Community Preservation Committee

MCCAM also airs the School Committee meetings covered by MET.