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**CABLE TELEVISION
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GRAFTON CABLE TELEVISION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
September 16, 2016
Conference Room A – Municipal Center - 30 Providence Road Grafton, MA**

A meeting of the Grafton Cable Television Oversight Committee was held on September 16, 2016 at Conference Room A at the Grafton Memorial Municipal Center. Members present are listed below:

Attendees: Committee Members: Bob DeToma, Richard Schultze, Bob Hassinger, Larry Silverman and Bob Berger
Remote Participation: Mark Durfee
Special Counsel: Attorney William Solomon
Guest(s): Doug Willardson & Sargon Hanna

The meeting was called to order at Conference Room A at the Municipal Center by Chairman Larry Silverman at 3:23PM. The following represents the results of the meeting:

Discussion of License Renewal Terms for Verizon FIOS: Atty. William Solomon met with the Committee, Assistant Town Administrator and Sargon Hanna, a member of the Board of Selectmen. Atty. Solomon stated a capital plan which would list facility needs, studio needs and equipment needs would need to be developed. The Committee informed Atty. Solomon that high definition broadcast capabilities needed to be considered in the new cable license.

Atty. Solomon stated that no Verizon license renewal had occurred as yet in Massachusetts. However, in discussions with Verizon for cable license renewals in other communities, Verizon indicated it wanted a five (5) year license which could be cancelled by Verizon at any time. Also, Atty. Solomon indicated that Verizon was insistent about a level playing field.

There being no further business Bob Hassinger moved that the meeting be adjourned at 4:54PM. Richard Schultze seconded. Roll call vote: Bob Hassinger – Aye, Larry Silverman – Aye, Richard Schultze – Aye and Mark Durfee - Aye. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark C. Durfee

Clerk & Treasurer

Grafton Cable Television Oversight Committee