

**Waterford Cable Commission**  
**AGENDA**  
**6:30 pm, Tuesday, June 15, 2021**  
**Virtual**

Waterford Township Cable Commission Meeting  
Tue, Jun 15, 2021 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (EDT)

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1. Approval of agenda
2. Approval of minutes
3. Correspondence and bills
4. Signal quality
5. Subscriber complaints
6. Report from Media Network
7. Report from Cable Coordinator
8. Comments
9. Adjourn



# Waterford Township Cable Commission

Minutes of the Tuesday, May 18, 2021, Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Ken Fuerst, Nathan Shoemaker, Anthony Bartolotta, Bob Piggott

Members Absent: Al Pavlish, Jim Powers, Laura Petrusha

Guests: Josh Bowren, Gary Allison (Cable Coordinator)

Vice-Chairperson Bob Piggott called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Roll Call: All members present but Al Pavlish, Jim Powers, and Laura Petrusha. All

Commissioners signed on from Waterford Township, Michigan.

Agenda – Anthony Bartolotta motioned to approve the agenda for May 18, 2021, supported by Nathan Shoemaker. Roll call vote: approved unanimously.

Minutes – Anthony Bartolotta motioned to approve the minutes from April 20, 2021, supported by Ken Fuerst. Roll call vote: approved unanimously.

Correspondence and Bills – Gary Allison read a memo for the record from Comcast regarding channel changes.

Signal Quality – Nothing to report.

Subscriber Complaints – One outstanding complaint reported.

Media Network Report – Josh Bowren reviewed the Media Network report. Following discussion, Anthony Bartolotta motioned to accept the report, supported by Nathan Shoemaker. Roll call vote: approved unanimously.

Cable Coordinator's Report – Gary Allison reviewed the Cable Coordinator report. Following discussion, Anthony Bartolotta motioned to accept the report, supported by Nathan Shoemaker. Roll call vote: approved unanimously.

Comments – Josh Bowren discussed drone technology during presidential visits.

Adjournment – Anthony Bartolotta motioned to adjourn, supported by Ken Fuerst. Roll call vote: approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ken Fuerst, Secretary

Township of Waterford  
Cable Coordinator Report June 2021  
Submitted by Gary Allison

- Production
  - The Detroit Institute of Arts display was put on hold until DIA could work out some logistical problems. Not sure when this will happen. DIA says around July.
  - Preliminary plans for meetings regarding police training videos were conducted. A location for the shoot has yet to be established. Production will happen in early October.
- Virtual Meetings and In person Office Hours
  - All meetings will remain virtual through the end of June at this time.
- FCC & State
  - SB 516 expands wireless industry access to public safety cell towers and the unlimited growth of those towers.
    - This bill is currently in committee and threatens to adversely impact the market place for private or other governmental landlords leasing space to the wireless industry for decades, at fair market value and, constitute another giveaway of taxpayer supported State infrastructure to an industry hardly in need of more government handouts. And it will usher in the unregulated growth of what were once intended as very small and limited for public safety use only antennas.
  - US 6th Circuit splits on FCC cable franchise order issues: the US 6<sup>th</sup> opinion on cable franchise fees was published today. It was a unanimous but split decision on the three main issues. The opinion will be appealed by both the telecommunications industry and municipalities. However, Biden's FCC may overturn most, if not all, prior FCC orders that remove municipality rights.
- NATOA
  - Michigan NATOA, of which Waterford Township is a member, has merged with MIACM (Michigan Alliance for Community Media).