TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY BOARD Meeting Minutes October 13, 2011

In Attendance: Chairman, Kurt Krause, TAB Members, Ed Ebenbach and Joe Salvati. Also in attendance: Board of Supervisors Liaison, Tom Scarborough, Rick Colello and Staff Liaison Sandra Zadell, Assistant Township Manager.

Minutes: On a motion made by Mr. Ebenbach, seconded by Mr. Salvati the minutes from the September 12, 2011 meeting of the TAB committee were approved as amended.

Mrs. Zadell prepared the Comcast update she shared with the committee. Mr. Ebenbach will review the FCC filings that were from Comcast for the next meeting.

Mrs. Zadell also reported that we had an issue this past week with the Music Choice not working on the channel. Comcast has reported that it is their preference that the Music Choice programming only be aired on the Comcast channel not the Verizon channel.

The committee discussed different options for handling the Music Choice issue, Mrs. Zadell was directed to check with Verizon about offering the Music Choice station through Verizon's service. Mr. Krause will check with Leightronix if there is an undocumented capability for the Nexus server to utilize alternate audio sources while maintain the efficiency of the current configuration.

Mrs. Zadell then reported that we have the Verizon Grant check in house.

Mr. Ebenbach went over the budget review, there are three items left to purchase in 2011:

- 1. The VGA Converter, budgeted at \$750
- 2. The podium, budgeted at \$750
- 3. Wiring tray, budgeted at \$150

Mr. Ebenbach presented his recommendation that we purchase the Knox Video DC-100, this will cost \$614.95. We will also need a rack mount once we received that.

Mr. Kraus made a motion to approve Mr. Ebenbach's recommendation to purchase the Knox Video DC-100, the motion was seconded by Mr. Salvati and the motion passed.

Mrs. Zadell will order the DC100 from Knox Video pending Mr. Ebenbach's validation of the performance against the vendor specifications.

The Committee then reviewed the 2012 budget request, they requested \$5,500, we will see when that budget gets approved.

Mr. Ebenbach went over the franchise renewal information we have received from the Cohen Group, he reported that they are a small Pittsburgh firm and that their main

premise seems to be that we could get income from Right of Way management fees, more than just from the utility cable, possibly from other utilities. The Cohen Group is offering a free assessment so the committee decided that Mr. Ebenbach should reach out to the Cohen Group and move forward with the free assessment.

The Committee reviewed the Web streaming, they are prepared to go live at the October 18, 2011 meeting of the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Ebenbach and Mr. Krause will arrive at 6:15pm that day and ask Mrs. Zadell to make sure that Ms. DelGaudio arrives at 6:15pm as well.

Mr. Ebenbach reported that the Raid Drive is installed and working.

Mr. Krause reported that he applied a Leightronix Software patch that didn't go so well on Monday night. It has provided some problems to the channel. The configuration was reverted prior release. He will work on retrying the patch in the next two weeks.

Mr. Ebenbach distributed audio path chart for DTV, Mrs. Zadell will have that laminated and put inside the door of the cabinet.

Mr. Salvati reported on the programming pieces for the channel. He reported that his contact at the Historical Society is still on maternity leave, but that he did find out that the Historical Society doesn't help locate items, we will have to look them up ourselves. Mr. Salvati will meet with Sarah Good at the Historical Society next week and will negotiate the usage fees for those materials.

Mrs. Zadell then presented that she did finish the Video Approval Form, the committee looked at it. Mr. Salvati had a couple of additional questions. Mrs. Zadell will correct a small typo on the form.

On a motion made by Mr. Krause, seconded by Mr. Ebenbach, the new Video Approval Form was approved.

There was a motion to adjourn by Mr. Ebenbach, seconded by Mr. Krause at 8:10pm.