

## **Cable Advisory Committee Meeting**

Thursday, March 9th, 2011

Room 121, Town Hall

7:30 p.m.

**Attendees:** Oleg Volinsky, Terence Lobo

Also present at the meeting: Mary Frere (Verizon Representative), T.J. Dyer (ACAT President), Dick Calandra (ACAT)

Meeting was called to order at 7:45 pm

### **Verizon Representative Meeting:**

By Nov 2011, Verizon (VZ) has to complete build out. VZ has 100% aerial coverage. Burial buildout is lagging at 54%.

Part of 46% are Multiple Dwelling Units (MDU) which are last due to Premise Access License issues. Letters are out to several condo associations to get permissions. VZ will get further details on what percentage of town can get service and on street diggings.

Oleg will follow up with Acton PW.

VZ is on target. By end of Oct all MDU will be touched. So all that are interested will have service capability by end Oct. Audobon Hill has to be built up.

Few sites have been deferred by M Hald – highway guard house, north fire station, veterans commuter field, Valien Court building. VZ wants Nara park and Woodlawn cemetery to be deferred. New Locations for drops can be requested.

ACAT has signal issues on VZ FIOS TV that VZ will get back on.

Quarterly bill from VZ does not have backup – it is just a check. Check is mailed and record is emailed to town manager.

Acton ACAT content can be viewed in other towns as part of contract that ACAT signed.

ACAT PEG will not have access to HD. VZ will get back on reason.

Complaints on increase of rates – VZ said it is due to content provider rates going up .

Requirements for on demand CC on VZ. VZ will let CAC know.

### **Citizen's concerns:**

Oleg spoke with Daniel Factor about close caption issues. It appears that issues are specific to Video On Demand (VOD) services.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45. Minutes were taken by Terence Lobo.