

WATOA Teleconference 11/21/13

1. Call to order 2:07 PM
 - a. John Funfar, Chris Jaramillo, Alice Lawson, Jim Demmon, Linda Seesz, Megan Hutton, Randy Behler, Mark Somers,
2. Approval of minutes from 10/16/13, moved, seconded
3. Treasurer Report—Dea Drake
 - a. Around \$11,000 in total budget
4. WATOA 2014 Conference Update and “Save the Date” – Chris Jaramillo
 - a. Will put Save the Date on website & listserve
 - b. April 30-May 2 at Campbells Resort in Lake Chelan
 - i. <http://www.campbellsresort.com/>
 - c. Government rate: single room \$83, Double rooms \$103
5. December 18, 2013 Annual membership meeting via conference call – Set Agenda
 - a. Keep agenda to 5 items
 - i. Recent concluded franchises—Jim Demmon
 - ii. Plug listserve—great way to ask questions & get quick responses
 - iii. Promote Annual conference in Chelan
 - b. Remind people of board elections—ballots coming in the mail
6. FCC Notice of Inquiry on Sighting of Communication Facilities—Alice Lawson
 - a. Ken Fellman is heading up a response on the sighting of communication facilities & co-location
 - i. Other cities can sign on to finished document for free, but can't add comments. Shows larger support. Cities/counties paying for his time will be commenting.
 1. If you want to comment, can go in for a nominal price
 - ii. In 2012 as part of middle class tax relief act, state and local govts can't deny access to tower & stations
 1. Law didn't define a lot of terms, now FCC is going to define terms and create some rules
 2. Concerned about losing local control, zoning rules on sighting wireless towers, base stations and small antennas
 3. Deals with telecommunications, not franchising
 4. NATOA, Natl. Mayors Council, Natl. Assn of Cities also filing letters
 - iii. Will send info about it to listserve
7. Fall Newsletter/ Deadlines and Assignments – Linda Seesz
 - a. Main article: FCC update
 - b. 2 production articles—Megan/Jim
 - c. Promote Lake Chelan conference—Chris & Alice
 - d. Who won NATOA awards—Alice
 - e. Meet the Board—Mark Somers, George G.
 - f. Deadline: December 9
 - g. Alice—will be new person to collect & proofread articles, and final review
 - h. Linda will create it and assemble it
8. Other business
 - a. Aim for February 21—Board meeting at Yakima City Hall, same hotel as usual
 - b. Next mtg Dec. 18th conf call annual membership meeting
9. Adjournment 2:55 PM