

# Minutes

## Missoula Civic Television Advisory Commission

### Zoom Meeting

### September 21, 2020

**Commission Members in Attendance:** Chris Badgley, Hatton Littman, Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson, Amber Sherrill, Toffer Lehnherr, Sandra Vasecka, Nevin Graves, Jen Sauer, Ginny Merriam and Allison Franz

**Commission Members Absent:**

**Others in Attendance:** Mike Painter (MCAT Board), Joel Baird (MCAT) and Heidi Bakula (Mayor's Office)

1. The minutes of August 17, 2020 were approved as submitted.
2. Public Comment
3. Commission Member Comment

Hatton Littman talked about the school board meetings that were being recorded and streamed and stated that she had lots of help from Joel Baird with the new technology. Chris Badgley thanked Hatton and the school board for all their help during virtual learning.

Hatton talked about high school sports in the fall. MCAT provided no live streaming so the games will be recorded and posted later. Joel stated that he wants to do more live streaming. Missoula County Public Schools now contracts with a company to live stream high school sports. MCAT will help with the events that parents cannot attend. Joel said they are not allowing students to do any recording because of COVID. Joel has more time because the university is not scheduling many events at this time.

Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson asked how long it takes to post an event once it's recorded. Joel said 18 hours. Hatton is leaving it to Joel to work out any live streaming issues.

Ginny Merriam asked about the extra city meetings that are now being recorded and wondered why those requests did not come to MCTAC for discussion. Joel said they came from the City Clerk's Office and he thought the city already was aware that MCAT was recording them and everyone was on the same page. Ginny added that requests should go through MCTAC in the future. She's worried that some boards will be upset about being on TV.

Allison Franz said she receives requests at the county and sends them to MCAT. She did not know they should go through MCTAC. Ginny explained that those requests should come through MCTAC in order to manage the 1400 hours the city has. Joel added that

his impression was that the City Clerk's Office is trying to be as transparent as possible about public meetings and that's why they are being recorded.

4. Old/Continuing Business

- a. Review current programming schedule that has been recorded/is being recorded

Old

United Nations Day at UM

Music Productions at UM

SPARK National Arts and Education Week

Passenger Rail

New/Proposed Ideas

UM Drama and Dance in November at UM, nine productions total

Cooking series from the library

Makerspace Series - library

Tiny Tales story time for kids - library

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council meetings - county

Historical Museum – Montana Votes series

Elections – Express Vote setup and use for ADA voting

Community Council Town hall – County

Elections – PSA about mail-in ballot – Clarification

Video Ballot Information Tracking – county

Joel Baird gave us a virtual tour of the new library complex.

5. New Business

- a. Report on the Hours – Joel Baird

Joel asked if the commission could discuss the hours at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
Heidi Bakula  
Executive Assistant