

**MANISTEE AREA PEG COMMISSION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 16, 2003**

A special meeting of the Manistee Area PEG Commission was held on April 16, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** J. Mencarelli, J. Ball, M. Tillotson, N. Leslie

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** M. Carlson

**OTHERS PRESENT:** S. Scrimger

There was a motion by Tillotson, seconded by Leslie to accept the minutes of the January 22, 2003 meeting.  
Motion was passed 4-0.

**CHANNEL UPDATE:** Mencarelli reported that he has had discussions with Carlson and he (Carlson) is willing to keep performing duties for PEG as long as he is needed. Scrimger presented a memo updating the negotiations to get the head end equipment moved to the new high school. At this time Charter is not willing to offer financial assistance and the move would cost \$3,150.00.

**DISCUSSION OF OPERATING FORMS & PROCEDURES:** Mencarelli suggested that programmers should be required to use the "request for air time" forms prepared for Channel 2. The consensus was that this would be appropriate. No motion was made.

Mencarelli suggested the possibility of reforming PEG as a separate entity. Leslie agreed to do some research on other public access channels in similar markets and how they operate.

Mencarelli gave a report on equipment purchased for channel 2. Scrimger gave a report on current financial status. Equipment purchases made in anticipation of moving the head end site have depleted the PEG fund. Different members of the commission volunteered to help with the head end and City Council taping duties.

There was a motion by Ball, seconded by Leslie to end Mark Carlson's contract effective Sunday, April 20 for financial reasons.  
Motion passed 4-0.

It was agreed to hold the next meeting in room 113 of the Manistee High School on Twelfth Street. The date for the next meeting was set for April 23, 2003.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:25 p.m.