

TOWN OF DELHI

**September 11, 2018
7:15PM**

PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES

**“For the approval of a Cable Television Agreement between Time Warner
Cable Northeast LLC and the Town of Delhi”**

Supervisor Tuthill called the meeting to order at 7:15pm. He stated that the public hearing was being held to approval of a cable franchise agreement between Time Warner Cable Northeast LLC and the Town of Delhi.

Supervisor Tuthill that offered privilege of the floor to ask questions or make comments, he then introduced Kevin Egan, Director of Government Affairs of Time Warner. Richard Gumo town resident encouraged the board to have a public channel offered free of charge for public broadcasting of Town Board Meetings. It was a way for the residents to be informed through this public channel. Supervisor Tuthill stated Delhi Telephone does something similar, Councilmember Krzyston agreed with Mr. Gumo and felt that residents enjoy the ability to watch and learn from the streaming. Kevin Egan stated they can look at doing this through public service commission; they could entertain doing something like this. Town resident Scott May agreed with Mr. Gumo and stated when he first came to the area Time Warner had such a channel and stated it was well received in the community. Councilmember Tweed stated for community members that do not have cable or access to cable whether or not we can negotiate having the meetings on our website that people could access without needing to sign up for a specific cable service. She felt this could provide very good community access. Mr. Egan stated that that would be outside the scope of the franchise agreements. He stated towns do this themselves by uploading. Mr. Gumo stated this was not limited to town meetings it was a live broadcast of games etc., where Mr. Egan stated it comes at a cost, per PFC regulations the costs would be a “peg” for customers and becomes quite involved. Councilmember Krzyston asked how long the agreement was for and was told by Mr. Egan it is a fifteen year agreement. Councilmember Krzyston and Councilmember Tweed will be the councilmember’s who will be the contact persons for Mr. Egan regarding the creation of the public channel, they will work with him and return to the board with information of such creation.

As there was no further public comment Supervisor Tuthill closed the public hearing at 7:28pm.