



VILLAGE OF HOBART
HOBART MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING CORP.
CIVIC COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING
108 HOPEWELL STREET
HOBART, OHIO 45678

March 25, 2026

**HOBART MUNICIPAL BROADCASTING CORPORATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING / **EMERGENCY SESSION** / SHADOW SESSION
(circle/bold one)

DATE: 9/14/2005 **TIME:** 7:08 PM **LOCATION:** Civic Communications Bldg

Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM by Acting Station Manager Gloria Pritchard. Quorum present under emergency provision.

Present: G. Pritchard (Acting Station Manager), A. Bixby (Chief Engineer), T. Lummis

PURPOSE OF MEETING

To formally authorize the return of PAL-TV to active broadcast status following approximately ten years of inactivity.

BACKGROUND

Pritchard summarized the situation. PAL-TV had been off-air since approximately 1994 due to what previous records described only as "technical difficulties." During the intervening period, the station remained on the Village books. Staff continued to file quarterly reports to the Clerk's office. Bixby continued to maintain the transmitter room, which he described as "keeping it warm." No programming was produced or broadcast.

In August 2005, a volunteer crew discovered a functional transmitter unit in a shed behind the Public Works garage. Bixby confirmed the unit was operational after what he described as "minor adjustments and one conversation with it."

MOTION TO RETURN TO AIR

Pritchard moved to authorize the resumption of PAL-TV broadcasting operations effective immediately. Bixby seconded. T. Lummis voted in favor.

Motion carried 3-0.



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INITIAL PROGRAMMING

The first broadcast consisted of a continuous loop of the following:

- A handwritten index card held in front of Camera 1 reading "We're Back"
- A ten-second pause
- Repeat

This programming aired for approximately 72 hours before being replaced by archived Council highlights from 1992.

Pritchard noted for the record that no one from the Village had inquired about the station's return during the initial broadcast window. She described this as "consistent with expectations."

EQUIPMENT STATUS

Bixby provided an equipment inventory. Of the twelve items listed on the 1994 shutdown manifest, seven were accounted for. Three were described as "present but non-functional." Two were listed as "location unknown, presumed shed." The recovered transmitter was not on the original manifest and its origin remains unclear.

CPB STATUS

Pritchard confirmed that the Corporation for Public Broadcasting revoked PAL-TV's affiliation in 2001 during the off-air period. She stated she had no intention of seeking reinstatement and referenced her 2001 comment for the record.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Minutes recorded by G. Pritchard.