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Video Upgrade Complete At Bellingham Town Hall

ABMI recently finished a renovation of the Government Channel video system for the Arcand Meeting Room at the Bellingham Town Hall.

The upgrade was part of a two-prong effort by the town and ABMI.

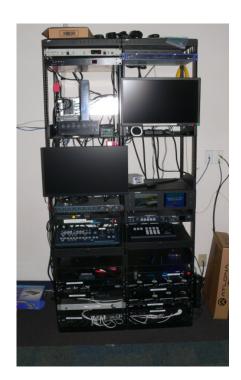
The town of Bellingham removed all the old camera and video equipment in the Arcand Room and installed new Zoom cameras along with laptops, computers, and microphones.

Working in conjunction with the town, ABMI renovated the control closet, swapping out all the old monitors and replacing them with new HD monitors and switchers.

Station Manager Patrick Flemingsupervised the installation. He, says the town's Zoom system by Hubtech now ties in with the Keycode Media system installed by ABMI -- a major improvement over the old setup.



New camera (top right) installed in Arcand Meeting Room



Upgraded video closet at the Bellingham Town Hall

Fleming notifies Board about Change in Comcast channels

At the ABMI Board Meeting of Sept. 7 Station Manager Patrick Fleming told the Board that Comcast is moving Government Channel 11 to Channel 6 and Education Channel 98 to Channel 22.

There will be no changes to the Public Channel 8 nor to any Verizon channels.

In other business, it was noted that Ann Odabshian has looked favorably upon cable in past dealings with the town of Bellingham.

Board Vice-President Diane Mela Souvanna noted an item in the June 2023 Treasurer's Report concerning Rockland Bank. Fleming said it was payment for the phone package.

Pete Royce's Bowling for





Scholars was discussed.

The Board asked about *Auto Sense*. The show runs Mondays at 10:30am and 7pm.

The Board learned that Publicity Director Steve Saraceno was out sick with a case of Covid.

Fleming said the ABMI-TV Concerts on the Grass series went well this summer. The series concluded Aug. 17 with a show at Mendon Town Beach.

Fleming further discussed with the Board the recent channel migration for the Comcast channels.

Fleming reported that construction on the Mendon Town Hall is nearly completed.

The next Board meeting was scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 9 at 6:15pm via Zoom.



REGULAR SHOWS-ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

MONDAY

AUTO SENSE - 10:30AM & 7PM

BHS SPORTS -1PM & 8M

MENDON SELECTMEN 9PM

TUESDAY

LOCAL SCHOOL COVERAGE 10AM

CONCERTS ON THE GRASS 3PM & 9PM

WEDNESDAY

MENDON TOWN EVENTS 7PM & 11PM

THURSDAY

BELLINGHAM TOWN EVENTS 3PM & 8PM

FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY

ST. BLAISE SUNDAY MASS 8:30AM & 6PM

BOWLING FOR SCHOLARS NOON & 9PM

DUNGEON OF DR. DRECK 10 PM

Lights, Camera, and Action at ABMI-TV

Participant gives it a shot in cornhole competition at the Rock the Block event in Mendon on Sept. 9





Several local bands performed at the Rock the Block celebration at the Mendon Memorial Fields Sept. 9



Sign in front of ABMI studio notes the Comcast channel migration effective Aug. 29.

Pete Royce interviews contestant on Episode 8 of *Bowling for Scholars*.



Aiming for the bullseye at Mendon's Rock the Block celebration Sept. 9.





Episode 8 of *Bowling for Dollars* plays the weekend of Fri-Sun Sept 22-24 at Noon and 9pm on the ABMI Public Channel.

Mendon Celebrates With Rock the Block

The annual Rock the Block celebration took place Sept. 9 at the Mendon Town Fields.

Production Coordinator Tyler Mc-Minniman covered the event for ABMI.

McMinniman's piece debuts Wednesday, Sept 20 on the ABMI Public Channel at 1pm and 8pm.

It also plays Thursday, Sept. 21 at 2pm and 8pm.

The event, hosted by the Town of Mendon, featured vendors food, and band performances throughout the day and into the evening.

Check the program schedule at abmi8.org for future showings, or click on the Archives tab anytime.

ABMI MENDON

PUBLIC CHANNEL COMCAST 8
PUBLIC CHANNEL VERIZON 47
EDUCATION CHANNEL COMCAST 22
EDUCATION CHANNEL VERIZON 42

GOVERNMENT CHANNEL COMCAST 6
GOVERNMENT CHANNEL VERIZON 41



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Next Meeting to take place virtually by Zoom Thurs. Nov. 9 6:15 p.m.

directions to studio

Seven things to know about ABMI

- You can post free notices for your nonprofit organization or activity on our video bulletin board. Best way is to email us at abmi8@comcast.net. You can also phone at 508-966-3234. Or send a fax at 508-966-2321.
- 2. All our public channel cablecasts stream live at the same time from our website at abmi8.org. Recorded public meetings and special events are also available for viewing in the Archive section at our site.
- 3. DVD copies of ABMI shows are available for \$15.75 per copy. We have shows going back as far as 1985, so if there's a blast from the past you'd like to see again, call us at 508-966-3234.
- ABMI encourages interested volunteers.
 Our staff is available to teach basic camera technique and non-linear editing on a one-to-one basis.
- 5. Station Manager Patrick Fleming, Publicity Director Steve Saraceno, and Production Coordinator Tyler McMinniman are generally available weekdays by calling 508-966-3234.
- 6. The ABMI public channel is Channel 8 for Comcast subscribers and Channel 47 for Verizon folks.

