

**Information Systems Advisory Board Meeting
April 30, 2002
Minutes**

Members Present:

Beth Ahern
Leon Barzin
Steve Anderson
Chris Geraiis
Peter Kirkby

Absent:

Lee MacQuarrie
Doug Fleming
Michael Jaillet
Iva Conti
Alan MacDonald

Guests:

Sanjar Azar
Tim von Herrmann

The minutes of the March 5th meeting were approved as submitted and will be posted on the web site.

I. OLD BUSINESS

A. TOWN UPDATE

Beth reported that the Town has been occupied with the following:

1. *Wireless High Speed Internet*

Sanjar Azar and Tim von Herrmann from the Westwood Municipal Internet Company presented a wireless high-speed internet option for the town. The Westwood Wireless Web will deliver broadband internet access to Westwood through a fixed wireless network. The town is forming a High Speed Internet Access committee with members of the Information Systems Advisory Board (ISAB), Cable Advisory Committee, Business Development task force, and Planning Board.

2. *Rotary Club*

Beth will be leaving with the rotary club for her business exchange to Norway and she will be away from May 4th – June 10th. During her absence Leon Barzin will represent the Information Systems Department at the May 6th town meeting.

3. *Verizon*

No new DSL updates to report from Verizon.

4. *AT&T Update*

On April 24, 2002 there was a public hearing held on the transfer of the AT&T license to COMCAST. There were some 70 residents in attendance at this Public Hearing. The committee has voted to recommend that the Selectmen deny the transfer of the license base on concerns that AT&T fails to convince the town they can continue to operate in their best interests. The Cable TV Advisory Committee has completed their assignment within the 60-day period from the initiation of the transfer process. The Selectmen have another 60 days in which to act.

B. SCHOOLS UPDATE

1. *High School Scheduling*

The Scheduling process for 2002-2003 school year has begun for the High School and Middle School.

C. GIS UPDATE – none reported

II. NEW BUSINESS – none reported

III. OTHER BUSINESS – none reported.

IV. PUBLIC & PRESS

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Next meeting June 11th at 7:30pm, Selectmen's Meeting Room, Town Hall.