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**Fwd: Naming of publicly noticed meeting recordings**

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Subject: Naming of publicly noticed meeting recordings

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Dear Medfield Board of Selectmen,

I wrote to Brett Poirier at Medfield TV expressing concerns about recordings of Dale Street School Building Committee meetings now being filed on YouTube under "New Elementary School Building" vs. Dale Street School Building Committee, which is the legal name (see screen shots below and attached). In response, I was asked to bring the request forward to the School Building Committee. However, I believe this request goes beyond the SBC as a matter of Town policy.

Specifically:

\*When our town meeting notices, website calendar, and meeting minutes use an official committee name, the recordings of those meetings should reflect that official name, and especially given the pandemic-related executive order, per Open Meeting Law, that allows for a "posting of a full and complete transcript, recording or other comprehensive record on its website as soon as practicable after the meeting." Of course, this allowance does not apply when the public has been given multiple ways to access the meeting in person or online (like the recent forum), however, it does reinforce the point that if the Town plans to rely on a taxpayer-funded cable TV station to tape and/or post official meeting recordings, the names of those recordings should mirror the official meeting notices. (I also know there has been a legislative push on and off over the years to allow recordings to take the place of public body meeting minutes.)

\*With regard to the Dale Street School Building Committee, that is the legal name/reference from MSBA's standpoint and our town standpoint – it is what has been shown on all of the official documents, so recordings of those meetings should reflect the same name until after the Town takes official action otherwise.

\*Beyond the "official" reasons, it's just common sense. Anyone who is trying to better understand town issues, and in particular any town project, should be able to search for Medfield TV meeting recordings under a consistent committee or board name, and not have to guess which name is being used.

Understandably, the points above would not in any way apply to citizen-organized or the usual Medfield TV studio productions – they are only for meetings/forums in which a public notice under Open Meeting Law is required.

Given that Brett specifically asked for my concerns to be brought to town leaders since it seems Medfield TV automatically takes whatever name/labeling is given to it, I believe it's important for some type of overall town policy or committee/board directive be established with regard to naming/labeling Town meeting recordings. This step should not be discretionary.

Best,

Chris

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The screenshot shows a YouTube playlist page. The main video player on the left displays a woman speaking, with a 'PLAY ALL' button overlaid. Below the player, the playlist title 'New Elementary School Building Committee Meetings' is shown, along with '42 videos • 131 views • Updated 5 days ago'. The channel name 'Medfield TV' and a 'SUBSCRIBED' button are visible. On the right, a list of five videos is shown, each with a thumbnail, title, and duration:

- 1. New Elementary School Building Communication Sub Committee - May 20, 2021 (1:00:09)
- 2. New Elementary School Building Communication Sub Committee - May 13, 2021 (37:19)
- 3. Dale Street Communications Subcommittee - January 28, 2021 (40:32)
- 4. Dale Street Communications Subcommittee - January 14, 2021 (1:01:56)
- 5. Dale Street Communications Subcommittee - January 12, 2021 (1:18:05)

Below the list, a sixth video is partially visible: 'Dale Street Building Committee - January 6, 2021'.

The screenshot shows a YouTube video player for 'New Elementary School Public Forum'. The video thumbnail shows a large room with many people seated at tables. The video has '114 views • Streamed 22 hours ago' and is from the channel 'Medfield TV'. Below the video, the website and Facebook links are provided: 'Medfield TV Website: https://www.medfield.tv/ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/medfieldtv'. A 'New' badge is present. At the bottom right of the video player, a '+8 MORE' link is visible.

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