

Radio System User Committee

Minutes

March 16, 2023

Draft minutes pending committee approval.

The meeting of the Radio System User Committee was called to order by Chairman, Dan Birenbaum in the Ozaukee Sheriff's Office Lobby Conference Room of the Justice Center of Ozaukee County, Port Washington. Roll Call was taken and present were committee members: James Albrinck, Dan Birenbaum, Lindsay Graycarek, Josh Borden, Bob Ramthun, Joe Laurin, and Rick Nelson. Others in attendance: Shawn Anderson, Ozaukee County Radio Services; Matt Karpinski, Grafton Fire Department; Dennis Buchholtz, President of Communication Site Management and Contract Manager for Ozaukee County radio upgrades; Sixto Hernandez, Buchholtz CSM LLC; Kurt Zellman, Southern Ozaukee Fire Department; Scott Ziegler, Ozaukee County Emergency Management; John Stuhlmacher, Ozaukee County Emergency Management; Bill Esselmann, Newburg Fire Department; Jeff Vahsholtz, Cedarburg Fire Department.

Excused: None

1. Call to Order at 2:32 p.m.

2. Per Chairman Dan Birenbaum, meeting was properly noticed. Agenda was adopted.

3. Approval of December 1, 2022 Minutes.

Motion by Rick Nelson, second by Joe Laurin to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Comments/Correspondence/Communications

None

5. Update on Radio Services, Condition of the Radio System, Planning for the Future of the Radio System

Shawn Anderson stated the audio issues have been worked on and he has not received any recent complaints. He is working the database and radio profile enhancements.

Jim Albrinck asked where WISCOM falls on this list. Shawn stated the contract was awarded to Harris. Scott Ziegler advised it will be a 700-800 system with a 2-3 year completion and will be issued first to daily users. Discussion on future programming and use.

Dennis Buchholtz distributed update document and reviewed the listed items.

Dennis remarked that Jack Scully is working with users on the microphone issues and advised a few demo replacements have been given to area departments. Matt Karpinski discussed pros and cons of these microphones.

6. Control Stations

Dennis stated they've obtained quotes. Believes Jason Dzwinel will be including the purchase of the control stations in the current project. Shawn believes the control station issue will be resolved by the 3rd quarter. Once this is done, Shawn will active the Harrington Beach site and we will switch fully over to the P25 system.

John Stuhlmacher left the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

Discussion on status of volume issues and radio functionality. Bob Ramthun and Lindsey Graycarek discussed issues with using portable radios.

Dan Birenbaum left the meeting at 3:33 p.m. Jim Albrinck assumed chair.

Discussion regarding next steps in fixing the issues.

7. Status of Harrington Beach

Shawn advised waiting on completion of the control stations before coming on-line.

8. MABAS

Matt Karpinski. Nothing to report.

9. Washington County Update

Dennis provided an update as listed in his document. They will be using the Pinnacle site and Mee-Kwon per MOU. Washington County adding/updating nine sites. Raycom will be doing the implementation.

10. Set next Meeting Date and Time

Next meeting set for June 15, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business, motion by Rick Nelson, second by Joe Laurin to adjourn the meeting at 3:47 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

CC: County Clerk
Radio User Group