

**Public Safety Communications Council**  
**Minutes**  
**Tuesday October 14, 2014**  
**Pierre, SD**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Matt Tooley

Roll Call of Members – Brandi Underhill

Additional Items: None

Minutes from March meeting Approved – Bob Fisher Motioned, Harold Timmerman Second, Motion Carried

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Budget 2015/2016 Budget**

- All budgets are in line at this point
- Costs for McPherson tower at this point are not expended will affect our balances
- SLIGP funds expended last quarter - \$20,198 (match), \$4,362 (federal), \$24,561 (total)
- Tower revenue fund \$463,000, but need to replace Madison and Corson towers, do inspections

**2. Grant Status**

- SLIGP Grant: \$1,238,103 (federal), \$309,528 (state), \$1,547,631 (total) – Expended to date \$43,641
- DPS reallocating another \$82k to McPherson site, will now cover all Motorola costs associated with the site
- Stefan Pluta

**3. Digital Radio Infrastructure Updates**

- Updates on sites – Pierce/Dravland

**Site/ System Updates**

- McPherson County site will be optimized & put on air week of Oct 20th.
- Pierre PD dispatch move to combine with SRC dispatch at the Mickelson facility is complete, now they are looking at adding 2 additional positions.

- Several sites have required lighting repairs this summer. Currently Castle Rock and Pine Ridge down.
- Pennington County dispatch consolidation. Consoles have been placed in the Pennington County dispatch center and Motorola and are functioning. Working on a re-design for the T-1 to the new center where final consolidation will happen.
- 35 sites have been upgraded to 7.13, along with the master site, and dispatch centers at Huron, Wild Land Fire, Metro and Rapid City, Watertown, and Pierre will be complete soon.

#### **Upcoming Systems Work**

- Preparing sites for winter.
- Continue to remove equipment from the Becker-Hansen Master Site.
- Finish remaining site upgrades to 7.13, and Pierre, Watertown dispatch sites.

#### **4. SCIP Update**

- DHS is looking at an e-SCIP, something we can do on-line and keep more current.
- I will be doing the annual update to our state SCIP in November/December timeline.

#### **5. Narrowband Progress in State**

We are seeing very little if any change in the narrowband tracking tool.

#### **6. Train the Trainer Program**

[http://www.sdpscc.sd.gov/documents/RadioTrainer5\\_000.pdf](http://www.sdpscc.sd.gov/documents/RadioTrainer5_000.pdf)

Because of the system upgrade, no progress has been made on this during this year.

#### **7. NPSBN**

- FirstNet has issued a system RFI. This will be leading up to the system procurement process.
- A number of new members on the board as terms expired & former members were not invited back or decided not to.
- Mobile Data Survey Tool (MDST) is up and going, we need to start promoting that to get information for the process.
- South Dakota's revised application total was \$1,547,631 with \$309,528 in state match (in-kind and cash purchases).

- Serious concerns about the management of this process/project after the SLIGP grant is finished may need another FTE.
- Discussion on Mobile Data Survey Tool and ways to get Data.
- Mike Waldner will get with Paul Reiter and Harold Timmerman for Data.

<http://www.firstnet.gov/sites/default/files/firstnet-law-enforcement-factsheet.pdf>

<http://www.firstnet.gov/sites/default/files/firstnet-promise-factsheet.pdf>

<http://www.firstnet.gov/sites/default/files/firstnet-lmr-factsheet.pdf>

<http://www.firstnet.gov/sites/default/files/firstnet-fire-factsheet.pdf>

### **Update**

- The first quarter reports have been submitted
- Working on second quarter reports will be submitted end of week
- Progress performance reports and financial reports submitted end of next week.
- Brandi has entered many fire, law, EMS, utility, EM, Etc.

### **8. P25 Migration/System Updates**

- Need to keep this on our radar; hopefully industry will clear up in next few years.
- Discussion on how long to wait before system upgrade.
- Will be putting out an invitation under the vendors for a presentation at the next meeting.

### **9. Broadband Subcommittee**

I have made no headway or received any interest to this point. Need to get moving on this.

### **10. Radio Collection/Distribution Process – Timmerman**

- Have list of active radios from county, this will let us know who is on the system. All others will be taken off, freeing up a few slots.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **1. Review of FirstNet state consultation meeting.**

- Reviewing each state in 2014.
- Just got finished with Oregon and Washington this week.
- Will be doing Montana and Florida by the end of the year.
- Hoping to get the rest done first quarter of 2015.
- Our first quarter is during Session which will limit the ability to get some of the people we need there. Will reschedule a meeting for the end of March, after Session.

### **2. Approval of FirstNet RFI response**

- Needs to be submitted Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>
- Tooley motioned for Jeff Pierce to submit approval, Second Fischer, Motion carried

### **3. Corson, Madison, and other older towers meeting EIA/TIA standards**

- Corson and Madison tower did not meet standards, cannot be repaired.
- Possible 8/10 other towers may not meet standards.
- Cost to replace - \$250,000 (Madison), \$150,000 (Corson), \$50,000 (Inspections).
- Both towers will be replaced in 2015.
- Hope to replace 1 or 2 towers a year with tower revenue funds, may have to do budget requests.
- Small tower inspections next summer.

### **4. Formal recognition of Bob Fischer, retiring.**

- Bob Fischer handed in letter of resignation.
- No replacement as of yet.
- Send any candidates through Jeff Pierce or the Governor's office
- Motion to except Bob Fischer's resignation by Dave Ackerman, second Harold Timmerman, motion carried.

### **5. Other**

- The name of the EMT has been changed to Emergency Medical Services Association.

### **6. Organizational Reports – Dave Ackerman**

- Sheriff's conference coming up November 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Mike Waldner will be at conference to talk about FirstNet on the 13<sup>th</sup> in Sioux Falls.

## **7. Next Meeting**

- Tentative next meeting, mid-December 2014.

Bob Fischer motioned to adjourn; Dave Ackerman second; motion carried.