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State of Wyoming

Public Safety Communications Commission

WyoLink Operations Work Group Meeting
March 12, 2012
Phone Conference Call

Chairman Mark Harshman called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.

Meeting participants: Mark Harshman, Bob Wyatt, Marty McCoy, Lauri Wempen, Jerry Kennedy, Brian Eggleston, Dan Perko, Jim Archerd, Jim Frank, Dave Riegert, Robert Wilson and Bob Symons

Guests: Bill Fleming – WAC, Elizabeth Whitt – University of Wyoming, Ray Richards – Scotts Bluff County, NE, and Mike Jeffres – State of Nebraska

December 5, 2011 Minutes

The minutes for the December 5, 2011 meeting were reviewed. **Bob Wyatt made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 5, 2011 meeting. The motion was seconded by Marty McCoy and passed on a voice vote.**

WyoLink Membership

Discussion on the State of Nebraska WyoLink application. Mike Jeffres stated the State of Nebraska is seeking interoperable communications between Nebraska agencies and Wyoming agencies. For interoperability between the states will require the involved agencies to add the other states trunking system to their radios. Having both trunking systems in the radios is a solution which works today, but the goal is to expand the interoperability with Inter Sub-System Interfaces (ISSI). A question was asked about any potential problems with having both systems available in the radios and Marty McCoy indicated there should be none because this is a mode change between the systems. The financial impact is in the programming of the radios for the agencies. Nebraska is operating four channel sites. **Bob Wyatt made a motion to approve the State of Nebraska WyoLink application and recommend approval by the PSCC. The motion was seconded by Jim Archerd and passed on a voice vote.**

Discussion on the University of Wyoming Parking and Transit WyoLink Application. Elizabeth Whitt described the request for the parking and transit application. Parking and Transit is taking over the safe ride program at the University of Wyoming and they have a concern about contacting law enforcement. Albany County, Laramie and University of Wyoming Police are all using WyoLink for their communications. Parking and Transit is also part of the mass evacuation plan for Laramie. It was recommended to have the University of Wyoming parking and Transit to check with the University Police and Albany County about having those agencies provide a letter of support for the application.

Discussion on the Scotts Bluff County Communications Center, Nebraska WyoLink Application. Ray Richards provided background information on how the use of WyoLink would improve interoperable communications. Goshen County has indicated it is willing to share the Goshen Law Enforcement talkgroup with Scotts Bluff County. **Brian Eggleston made a motion to approve the Scotts Bluff County Communication Center application and recommend approval by the PSCC. The motion was seconded by Bob Wyatt and the motion passed.**

Discussion on applications for Crook County Sheriff, Fremont County School District #1, South Central Wyoming EMS, Meeteetse Fire Department and Wyoming Livestock Board. **Bob Wyatt made a motion to approve the Crook County Sheriff, Fremont County School District #1, South Central Wyoming EMS, Meeteetse Fire Department and Wyoming Livestock Board applications and recommend approval by the PSCC. The motion was seconded by Brian Eggleston and the motion passed.**

Bob Symons will recommend Fremont County School District #1 work with the Fremont County Communications Committee on their plan for migration to WyoLink. Discussion on the ongoing training program for WyoLink. Bob Symons was asked to check on the training programs at the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy and the State of Colorado and provide information at the next WyoLink Operations Work Group meeting.

Portable Coverage Enhancement Project

WyoLink and Motorola have scheduled the pre-construction meetings for the Wheatland, Douglas, Sheridan, Gillette and Rawlins sites. There is one more PCE site which the equipment has been ordered and could be built this year. The WyoLink Operations Work Group will be discussing the remaining site at a future meeting.

Being no further business, Chairman Harshman adjourned the meeting at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Symons
PSCC Administrative Support