WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL 800 MHz COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

800 MHZ USERS COMMITTEE

DRAFT of Minutes

Keith Mullen, Chair Paul Wiley, Vice-chair Karl Holden, Secretary

Thursday ~ March 21, 2019 ~ 10:00 a.m.

REGIONAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER 5195 SPECTRUM BOULEVARD, RENO, NEVADA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL [Non-action item]

Chair Mullen called the meeting at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was established.

PRESENT: Ed Atwell – UNR; Richard Burger – NDOT; Jeff Burne – NLTFPD; Todd Curtis NvNAG; Stewart Handte – RSIC; Karl Holden – WCSO; Chris Ketring – TMFPD; Nicole Lacap – RTAA; Rob Larson – RPD; Tracy Moore – WCSD; Keith Mullen – SFD; Jason Reynolds – UNR; Paul Wiley – Reno; and Ron Wilson – FBI. Dave Hunkup – RSIC joined the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

<u>ABSENT:</u> Charles Atkinson – TMWA; Lance Avansino – RSIC; Steve Baker – TMWA; Ray Guzman – RTAA; Seth Daniels – NDOT; Jason Edmondson – SFD; Sam Hicks – TMFPD; Jon Kelley – WCSD; Rafael Leal – VA; Anthony Masten – NvNAG; Tom Nelson – RTAA; Darrell Norman – VA; David Paulon – PLPT; Don Pelt – PLPT; Karinah Prevost – WCSO; Brent Smith – TMWA; Ryan Sommers – NLTFPD; Kirt Warren – WCSD; and Jim Whalen – NDOT.

David Watts-Vial – Deputy District Attorney, was also present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS [Non-action item]

There were no public comments.

Dave Hunkup – RSIC, joined the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

3. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 10, 2019 MINUTES [For possible action]

It was moved by Todd Curtis, seconded by Rob Larson, to approve the January 10, 2019, minutes, as submitted.

There were no Board or public comments.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. ELECTION OF SECRETARY [For possible action] Continued from January 10, 2019 meeting.

Chair Mullen opened the nomination.

It was moved by Stewart Handte to nominate and elect Karl Holden as Secretary, seconded by Dave Hunkup.

Karl Holden accepted the nomination.

There were no other nominations or public comments.

The nomination to elect Karl Holden carried unanimously.

5. LID (Logical Identification Number) STATUS UPDATE [Non-action item] – An ongoing review and discussion on the issue of limited LID availability on the Washoe County Regional Communication System.

Shawn Tayler – Regional Communications Coordinator, have eight there are some under the particular agencies not being used and will be swept and put into the pool of LID unless activated by the agencies

6. SYSTEM STATUS UPDATE [Non-action item] – An informational update on the operational status of the 800 MHz Communication System.

Shawn Tayler – Regional Communications Coordinator, drew attention to the weather patterns and the difficulty encountered in trying to access mountain top sites. Mr. Tayler noted that one particular site has up to 3-feet of ice on the microwave system that occluded the communications pathway. Mr. Tayler noted that full connectivity has been maintained thus far.

7. NEVADA SHARED RADIO SYSTEM UPDATE [For discussion only] – A review and discussion on the progress of Washoe County, NDOT and NV Energy on Nevada Shared Radio System project. Quinn Korbulic – Washoe County Technology Services

Shawn Taylor – Regional Communications coordinator, noted that the process is now in the detailed design review process with a test site setup in the Las Vegas Bowl, which requires new switches. Mr. Tayler pointed out that the VIDA switches are expected to begin testing in September and that WCRCS will be present to assure compatibility. The new system will not be used for live traffic during the testing phase and that there are some grounding requirements.

8. WCRCS P25 SYSTEM FINANCING AND COST ALLOCATION UPDATE [For discussion only] - A review and discussion on the progress on Washoe County Regional Communications System (WCRCS) P25 financing and cost allocation to WCRCS members.

Quinn Korbulic – Washoe County Technology Services, explained that since entering into the contract with Harris for the P25 system a piecemeal payment to Harris has been provided from 800 MHz funding and Washoe County. A consultant has been engaged to assist in the financing options and once funding scenarios have been developed financing option discussion will be brought to budget and finance experts for review and guidance. It is not likely that the matter will come to the 800 MHz JOC before their July 2019 meeting

9. AMENDMENTS TO THE WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT [For possible action] A review, discussion, and possible action to recommend that the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee adopt amendments to the Washoe County Regional Communications System Interlocal agreement.

Quinn Korbulic – Washoe County Technology Services, commented that this is standing item and that there has been no change to the Interlocal Agreement at this point. Once the financing and cost allocations are developed the suggested changes will be sent to David Watts-Vial – Deputy District Attorney, for review and then to the JOC for approval.

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Responding to Ed Atwell – UNR, about adding items to the Interlocal, Mr. Korbulic explained that all suggested additions will be presented to the JOC for consideration.

There were no public comments.

Continued to the next meeting.

10. 800 MHZ USERS COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS [Non-action item] – No discussion among 800 MHz Users Committee members will take place on this item. The next regular meeting is scheduled at 10:00 a.m. June 20, 2019.

Quinn Korbulic – Washoe County Technology Services, noted that recent work with Harris and the radio shop indicated that the magnetic adapter being used on the Harris Microphones were having adverse impacts on the microphones.

Ed Atwell posed a question to Jayne Leighton about a microphone failure do to the magnetic holder.

David Watts-Vial – Deputy District Attorney, explained that this item was not meant for discussion or back-and forth conversations and recommended that the topic be brought to Harris after the meeting adjourned.

David Hunkup – RSIC, introduced Tribal Police Chief Stewart Handte who has been added as a member to represent RSIC.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS [Non-action item]

There were no public comments.

12. ADJOURNMENT [Non-action item]

Chair Mullen adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m.