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OPERATIONS COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF MINUTES

January 28, 2016 1:30 p.m. Kirkland Police Department Commons Conference Room Kirkland, Washington

PRESENT: Dave Jokinen, Mike Murray, Charlie Gorman, Greg Tryon, Chris Wilson, Micki Singer

ALTERNATES: Gary Anderson (Rich Brown)

ABSENT: Marty LaFave, Jim Jolliffe, Joe Sanford, Tim Dahl

OTHERS PRESENT: Matthew Busa, Scott Hatfield, Jessie Morgan

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u> The meeting was called to order at 1:38 p.m. by Dave Jokinen, who presided.
- 2. <u>Roll Call</u> Sean Chesterfield is no longer with the school district.

3. <u>Approve Agenda</u>

Greg Tryon motioned to approve the agenda, it was seconded by Charlie Gorman and carried 7-0.

4. Consent Agenda

a) Approval of Minutes of October 22, 2015

Charlie Gorman motioned to approve the consent agenda, it was seconded by Greg Tryon and carried 7-0

5. <u>Reports</u>

a) PSERN Update

Scott Hatfield reports that a weekly project call has been implemented that discusses the activities for the week. It occurs each Monday. Currently there are 6 sites that have not been finalized, two of the sites are in EPSCA areas. The problems stem from city ordinances restricting tower heights.

If these issues are not overcome, he is unable to state for certain that the future coverage in the areas affected (Redmond and Bellevue) will be comparable to that of today. PSERN has had many new hires, among them, a master scheduler who will put together the detailed inner schedule from week to week to see how work is progressing.

b) Rebanding

Scott reports there has been a delay in the second touch of the radios of rebanding due to changes in TRIS interoperability talkgroup names. Initially, the old talkgroup names were going to remain on the portables, however, an emergency button issue was realized with this so all the old talkgroup names will be replaced with the new TRIS interoperability talkgroup names. These also will be added to the dispatch consoles. Following these changes, an updated rebanding timeline will be released.

c) Open Table Discussion

Scott reports that during rebanding, subscribers indicated that they were not aware of the changes that were being made to their radios, such as the changes to the TRIS interoperability names. Scott stresses this information be disseminated to end users by committee members. Any Spectra mobiles can still be exchanged. On February 11th, Scott will be attending a FutureCom repeater demonstration. These repeaters are usually attached to a vehicle and when the vehicle arrives on scene, the radio coverage is exponentially increased. They are much less expensive than in-building repeater systems that some building owners are reluctant to install. Previously, these repeaters were lacking key features necessary for public safety, however these newer repeaters claim to have remedied these issues. Scott reports that Sean Chesterfield, committee member from the Bellevue School District, no longer works at the school district. This leaves an opening on the Operations Committee. The Committee may choose to replace the member with someone else from the school district, another school district or another non-principal general purpose government user or not replace the member and reduce the Committee membership by one. A suggestion was made that Scott reach out to the Bellevue School District to see if they have someone they would like to send, and bring back a list of other users.

- 6. <u>Action Items</u>
- 7. Other Information
- 8. <u>Executive Session</u> None
- 9. <u>Adjourn</u>

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:32 pm.

Next Meeting

February 25, 2016