

1 **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS COMMITTEE**

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3
4 Government Center
5 West Bend, Wisconsin

March 26, 2009
1:00 p.m.

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7 Present: Brian Bausch, Rick Gundrum, Herbert Tennes, John Stern
8 Excused: Don Berchem, Daniel Goetz

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10 Also Present: Dale Schmidt, Dean Schmidt, Bill Kurer, Steve Gonwa, Kim Nass, John Schrader, Mike Hetzel, Paul
11 Fahey, Dominick Arcuri, David Gelyana, Dennis Buchholz, Joe Caruso, Ken Klumb, Peter Hoell, Lynn Schmidt,
12 Rich Abbott, William Meyers, Gail Dougherty

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14 Chairperson Stern called the meeting to order and read the Affidavit of Posting.

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16 **MINUTES**

17 Motion by Mr. Gundrum, second by Mr. Bausch to approve the February 26, 2009 Radio Communications Systems
18 Committee Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

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20 **UPDATE OF COUNTYWIDE RADIO SYSTEMS PROJECT**

21 Mr. Arcuri (RCC Consultants) and Mr. Caruso (Tyco Electronics) gave PowerPoint presentations to update the
22 committee on the Radio Systems Project's progress.

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24 Mr. Arcuri reported that the FCC License was granted for the eight frequency pairs. Call sign is WQJX921. Work is
25 continuing on adding the ninth and tenth pair. The MOU from the City of Oconomowoc for the ninth frequency is
26 expected to be approved April 7, 2009 by Oconomowoc Common Council. The Letter of Concurrence will then be
27 submitted so that these frequencies can be added to our license. In regard to the 10th frequency, Mr. Arcuri expects a
28 resolution by next week on the Sussex LOC. There are three DPWs (Erin, Jackson, Polk) in the County using that
29 frequency. A replacement frequency for the DPWs needs to be identified. Option 1 - The County Highway
30 Department uses frequency 151.13 and the proposal is to use that to replace the DPWs. An analysis is being done to
31 make sure that 151.13 can be inserted in five locations. The estimated cost to reprogram 31 radios is \$5,000. Option
32 2 would be for the DPWs to join the system which would cost approximately \$80,000. It is the opinion of the
33 committee to go ahead with Option 1. Paging License Application was filed 3/17/09. FCC license needs to be
34 updated for the new WE Energies Tower at Wayne Site. .

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36 Mr. Caruso stated they are ahead of the bell curve and exceeding the schedule. Mr. Stern asked Mr. Caruso for
37 documentation on the drop date of the project. Mr. Caruso stated he would get that to him by the close of business
38 tomorrow.

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40 Status of Tower Leases and MOU's was discussed by Attorney Nass. The Erin site lease is signed, and the
41 Farmington lease is being processed. Oconomowoc agreement was sent out and no problems are expected with
42 approvals by the City Council. WE Energies lease in Town of Wayne is a work in progress and a resolution is
43 expected shortly.

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45 Status of Budget – Sheriff Schmidt discussed the budget. Mr. Arcuri stated he would be preparing a change order
46 prior to the next meeting pertaining to RCC's extra work in obtaining frequencies. Mr. Stern asked Mr. Arcuri to
47 document when he would have that frequency work taken care of.

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49 Status of Schedule – Mr. Caruso stated that they were on track and on schedule.

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51 **CHANGE ORDER – PORTABLE RADIOS**

52 No update. This topic will be on the agenda for next month.

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54 **10th FREQUENCY PAIR – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

55 Discussed above.
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1 **CRITICAL DESIGN REVIEW – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

2 RCC has provided their recommendation regarding the Critical Design Review via email to the County. Sheriff
3 Schmidt asked Mr. Caruso if all of the documents pertaining to the Critical Design Review mentioned in the contract
4 could be put on a CD and sent to him. Mr. Caruso will send the CDs by Wednesday, April 1.
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6 **PURCHASE OF UNIVERSAL POWER SUPPLY**

7 Sheriff Schmidt stated, “the contract where it lays out the items that would be supplied by the County and Tyco – at
8 the Sheriff’s PSAP and at the Jefferson Tower site which is owned by the County-- the contract calls out for the
9 County to provide generator and UPS device. Having electricians on site for the Sheriffs Office remodeling project it
10 was better to have that project provide the power issues and the radio project provide the dispatch consoles. During a
11 coordination meeting between the construction project and the radio project in August, decisions were made and we
12 ended up with One UPS in the new dispatch center and an understanding on our part that that Tyco would be
13 providing one in the penthouse area for their equipment. The one that is at the Sheriffs office is tied up in
14 controversy at this point. It doesn’t appear that it has the capacity needed to handle the Tyco equipment and part of
15 the reason for that is in the August coordination meeting the understanding was that Tyco would be providing that
16 other unit for the Sheriff’s Department. It is my understanding at this point that Tyco feels that the contract says the
17 County would be providing that. The new one does not have the capacity because it was not planned for that extra
18 load. It leaves us back to if we need to provide the UPS power at the Sheriff’s office we need to take some action
19 with that and we need to purchase one for the Jefferson site. We do not have bids and quotes at this time.” Mr. Stern
20 said, “To summarize, the contract says the County will take care of it and at a subsequent meeting (Mr. Caruso was
21 not there) a Tyco rep said they will take care of it under the assumption it would be in the same place as the other
22 one, so we overwrote the contract and now we are going to go back to the contract.” Mr. Caruso said, “that must
23 have been a misunderstanding--we wouldn’t be in business if we gave those away.” Sheriff Schmidt wanted an
24 Authorization for a not to exceed number to pursue purchasing this equipment.
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26 Motion by Mr. Tennes, seconded by Mr. Bausch to go ahead and proceed with the Jefferson Tower purchase for the
27 UPS system not to exceed \$20,000, and have a short meeting before the County Board Meeting April 21 to find out
28 the facts from the Sheriff’s Department. Motion carried.
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30 Comment from Sheriff Schmidt: “In regards to this issue, it is not VJS that did the electrical design, nor are they
31 really providing the answer, it is Venture Architects and Harwood Engineering. VJS is the construction manager
32 who solicited a response back from the engineer, so engineering issues are Venture Architects and Harwood.”
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34 **NEXT MEETING DATE**

35 Next meeting will be held April 21, 2009, at 8:30 a.m.
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37 **ADJOURNMENT**

38 Moved by Mr. Tennes, second by Mr. Gundrum to adjourn the meeting at 2:06 p.m.
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Dale K. Schmidt