

Illinois P25 Working Group
March 5th, 2020 Meeting Minutes 9:30 A.M.
Moline Police Department's Community Room
Project Manager Captain Darren Hart Presiding

Attendees: Shawn Johnson, Steve Seiver, Darren Hart, Kathy Swett, Jeff Snyder, J.D, Schulte, Jeff Ramsey, Doug Maxeiner and Jim Grafton.

Absent- Wayne Sharer, Ron Erickson, Mark VanKlaveren and Jason Foy

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1) **Approval of the Minutes from the February 6th, 2020 meeting:**

Motion made by Steve Seiver, Seconded by Jim Grafton: Roll call voice vote taken, motion carried.

9- Yes and 0 No

2) **Approval of Financial Report:**

Motion made by Doug Maxeiner, Seconded by J.D. Schulte: Roll call vote by municipality taken, motion carried.

5- Yes and 0 No (Rock Island was absent)

3) **Tower Site Updates:**

A) Locations:

i) Hillsdale/Riverdale Middle School Site- Core drilling will begin the first part of next week; the Riverdale School District is very responsive and easy to work with.

ii) Silvis Site- Silvis has worked very well with us as well and have been very helpful in fulfilling our needs. The water well next to our site has been drilled. The solar grid is waiting for fencing prior to energizing it.

iii) Coal Valley Site/Old Oak Glen Nursing Home – It is in the queue for soil sampling, NEPA and FCC approval.

iv) Rock Island Water Tower Site- This site does not need the NEPA approval.

v) Illinois City Site- We are maintaining contact with the sellers through their son; this site has passed NEPA and is set for core drilling. All of the sites are looking really good.

B.) Change Orders: None

C.) SECC Update: SECC updates will be added to future agendas. They are moving along with their site leases and purchases. Of the seven sites, five are new builds, two are existing sites. They are purchasing a site near Buffalo, Iowa. A smaller site is being purchased for the same price as our Illinois City site. Dave Donovan is sharing information about this project with the press and has put out a positive message.

4. OTHER BUSINESS:

A) Lease Agreements:

i) Rock Island- Randy Tweet, Jason Foy, and Wayne Sharer did an excellent job of explaining everything and the city council had no questions for Kathy Swett or Darren Hart. The city council made a unanimous vote for approval and we have a signed executed copy of the lease agreement. We will need to provide them a copy of the completed set of structural drawings.

ii) Illinois City (Hofer Property) - NEPA returned with no issues, we went ahead with the terms agreed upon in the fall. This will allow them to till the property around the compound, give them the ability to buy the property below market value if it is ever sold, and gain shared revenue if we lease telecommunications space on the tower. A draft was sent to their attorney (Elizabeth Eagle) yesterday for redlines and we are hoping for a May 1st, 2020 close date. This group will vote on the redlines/final copy of this agreement.

B) Insurance Coverage: This is the next item we will be addressing, with the next payment there will be equipment that needs to be insured. There are continued discussions with Gallagher and USI. Darren Hart has reached out to RACOM (Project Manager Rick Carlund) to get the total cost of equipment, so we can base the insurance coverage from that as well as any required builder's risk insurance. March and April will be the timeline to sort through this issue. Kathy Swett asked the city administrators to consider coverage requests, deductibles and so forth to provide any feedback that may

benefit this group. The county is self insured so there is no experience in this area. J.D. Schulte suggested that we use a pool to avoid being subject to assessments. He stated that Moline uses IMPG. They have 280 members and the bylaws set forth no assessments, Moline transitioned to them two years ago.

C) Iowa/Illinois Advisory Group Meeting- We had to cancel the last scheduled meeting and are looking to reschedule for Wednesday, March 25th, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Our board consists of Steve Seiver, Darren Hart, Jason Foy, Jeff Snyder and Mark VanKlaveren who are assigned to the Advisory Group.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Captain Jason Dickey from the Illinois State Police (ISP) District 7 was asked to come to this meeting regarding interoperability of our system with ISP. Darren Hart has received many inquiries from smaller agencies and ambulance services regarding other agencies coming on board. Darren Hart has reached out to Sam Fleege from RACOM and has been assured that there is expandability with this system but there will need to be bylaws and regulations. The Metropolitan Enforcement Group (MEG) has asked about encryption, which will be available. Interoperability with the STARCOM system should be available and it is up to the individual ISP Districts to work out a mutual aid agreement. Captain Jason Dickey was appreciative for the invite and is grateful they are involved early enough to participate in the talk group discussions.

Chief Darren Gault provided Darren Hart the QCOMM talk groups and fleet mapping breakdowns for reference. Steve Seiver mentioned the First Net (AT&T) partnership with public safety regarding their push to talk and the interoperability with our system. It is aggressively priced and can be added to the radios. SECC is moving forward with mobiles and portables. Harris has a first net radio option that has the same network option for about \$7,000. AT&T would make it so that we will not need band 14 but a bridge would be needed to allow us to talk to them.

Steve Seiver discussed the Symphony consoles that will be installed at the county dispatch and that SECC is looking to do this in the spring. There is equipment in the server room of RICOMM that is an A side and a B side. One of those will need to be moved over to Scott County. Kathy Swett has an agreement drafted for this move, which will be voted upon by this group.

J.D. Schulte stated that the City of Moline has a 99 year lease with the county for the use of the water tower at the Oak Glen Site. They would like to work with us to perhaps offset the cost for both projects to run electricity to the water tower and our communications tower. We will work together on this project. Moline is looking at a \$75,000 cost at this time. Our communications site location is much closer to a main power source.

6. NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on April 2nd, 2020 at the Moline Police Department starting at 9:30 A.M.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Doug Maxeiner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by J.D. Schulte. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried for adjournment.

9 Yes and 0 No