



Matthew H. Mead
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Chairman

State of Wyoming

Public Safety Communications Commission

Interoperability Executive Committee
Minutes for September 8, 2011
Phone Conference Call

Members on Conference Call: Chairman Billy Janes, Mark Harshman, Lanny Applegate, Craig Post, Robert Wilson, Bryan Morehouse, Marty McCoy and Bob Symons

Others on Conference Call: Dave Johnson and Dave Adsit

Chairman Janes called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm.

Discussion on Broadband in Wyoming

Bob Symons led a discussion on the current status of Broadband in Wyoming. Governor Mead has appointed the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) as the lead agency for the broadband initiative for the State of Wyoming. Meredith Bickell, Deputy CIO, is currently the lead for the OCIO and the OCIO will be hiring a Broadband Coordinator in November. The OCIO is working with the Wyoming Business Council and Link Wyoming to complete a broadband planning and mapping program.

The National Governor's Association, Public Safety Committee has sent a letter in support of the 700 MHz D block being licensed to Public Safety for a public safety LTE broadband system. Governor Mead is the chairman of the NGA Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee. The U.S. Attorney General and some State Attorney General's have also sent letters of support for the D-Block to be used by Public Safety and not be auctioned.

The PSCC has been asked to provide a public safety person to serve on a Broadband Advisory Committee. Bryan Morehouse, Dale Stalder and Dave Adsit were named as potential people who could be asked about serving on the Advisory Committee. Chairman Janes stated the Wyoming Association of Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police have a meeting next week and he will bring up the need for a person to serve on the Advisory Committee. Additional names will be considered. Bob Symons will check with the OCIO and Wyoming Business Council on the expectations of the Advisory Committee members. The person should have an information technology background. Bob Symons will contact all potential persons and provide them with the expectations of the Advisory Committee and check if they would have the time and availability to serve on the committee.

National Interoperable Channels

The PSCC, at the June 2011 meeting, approved a motion to license the National Public Safety Telecommunication Council interoperable communications channels, not already licensed by another State Agency. Bob Symons recommended the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security as the State Agency to apply for the FCC licenses. WYODT has licensed the VLAW31, Wyoming Fire Marshal's Office licensed the VFIRE21 and Department of Health has licensed the VMED28. The VCALL10, VTAC11, VTAC12, VTAC13, VTAC14 and VTAC33 channels are the National Interoperable channels which FCC licenses will be applied for.

Codeplugs

Lanny Applegate brought up a concern on the timing for the development of codeplugs for WyoLink members. Marty McCoy stated there is currently a backlog of 390 codeplugs and he is working on contract help for helping generate codeplugs. Lanny Applegate stated the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security (WOHS) communications personnel may be available to help with the codeplug development. Marty McCoy will contact WOHS about helping with the codeplugs.

Being no further business, Chairman Janes adjourned the meeting at 2:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Symons
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