

Region 46 – Wyoming
700 MHz Regional Planning Committee
November 13, 2006 Meeting

Meeting Called to order by Mark Joiner, Interim Chairman at 2:12 pm at the Holiday Inn by the River in Casper, Wyoming.

Attendees: Mark Harshman – City of Casper, Dave Riegert – ComTech, Mike Moore – City of Casper, Ed Lofland – Collins Communications, Chris Bingham – Campbell Co. Sheriff’s Office, Bernadette Fauck – Campbell Co. Sheriff’s Office, Gina Monk – Campbell Co. Sheriff’s Office, William Fleming – Motorola, Robert Wilson – WyDOT Telecom, Dan Perko – WyAPCO and Wyoming Forestry, Doug Kerr – Carlson Wireless Technologies, Martin McCoy – WyoLink, Kent Drummond – WyoLink, James Frank – Wyoming Homeland Security, Jim Archerd – Wyoming Homeland Security, Craig Post – ComTech, Bill Jepsen – Teton Co. Sheriff’s Office, Robert Symons – Wyoming PSCC, Mark Joiner – Wyoming PSCC/BLM.

The proposed agenda was reviewed and Chairman Joiner added election of new members between items 3 and 4 and added item 6A – Colorado Plan. The proposed agenda was approved as amended.

The minutes for the November 14, 2005 meeting were reviewed. The spelling of “Pauling” was noted and changed to “Pawling”. The minutes, as amended, were approved.

Mark Joiner provided a brief overview of the responsibilities of the Region 46 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has set aside a band of frequencies in the 700 MHz spectrum for each state for public safety use. Each region was directed to write and administer the 700 MHz plan for the allocation of the public safety band. Mark Joiner passed out the draft Region 46 700 MHz plan.

Chairman Joiner asked if any of the attendees wished to become members of the Region 46 -700 MHz Regional Planning Committee (RPC). Marty McCoy – WyoLink Support Manager, Mike Moore – City of Casper Police Department and Robert Symons – Wyoming PSCC were nominated and duly approved by the members to the Region 46 - 700 MHz RPC.

Election of Officers:

Dan Perko nominated Mark Joiner as Chairman and that a unanimous ballot is cast. Seconded by Craig Post. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Mark Joiner nominated Robert Symons as the Vice-Chairman and that a unanimous ballot is cast. Seconded by Mark Harshman. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Dan Perko nominated William Fleming as Secretary and that a unanimous ballot is cast. Seconded by Mark Harshman. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Discussion on the Region 46 – 700 MHz draft plan.

The draft plan does not address the data transmission, the FCC has not developed the rules on data at the present time. The plan includes a sections on description of Region 46, the history of the 700 MHz RPC including the notification of the first meeting, Tribal Government representation, membership on the committee and a description of the process by which comments were solicited from all eligible parties. Appendix M includes all correspondence with the Tribal Government that may be included in the regional

planning area. One area that needs to be addressed is that the low powered television stations that operates within the region. No 700 MHz spectrum will be allocated over the low power TV stations until the spectrum is vacated. The membership list will need to be revised to reflect the changes.

Part of the FCC Rules on 700 MHz and 800 MHz includes the designation of a State Interoperable Executive Committee (SIEC). Governor Freudenthal has elected to include the SIEC within the functions of the Wyoming Public Safety Communication Commission (PSCC) and the SIEC is part of the Spectrum Committee currently chaired by Mark Joiner.

The 700 MHz plan identifies the allocation of 700 MHz spectrum within the region. The plan states that the allocation of the spectrum will be by first come-first serve basis.

Mark requested the members to review the plan for content, spelling and grammar errors by the end of February, 2007. Those changes will be voted on at an April meeting. The completed plan will then be sent to the adjoining regions for their comments and approval before submitting to the FCC. The references and cross- references need to be checked for accuracy and CAPRAD needs to be reviewed for current allocations. Comments can be sent to Mark Joiner at mark_joiner@blm.gov or Robert Symons at bsymon@state.wy.us

700 MHz General Discussion

Mark Joiner has received a letter from the Chairman of the Colorado SIEC on the adoption of the Colorado 700 MHz plan. The letter included the dispute resolution form and acknowledgement form. The Colorado plan is available for review on CAPRAD within the public information section at <http://caprad.nlectc.du.edu/cp/index.jsp> Mark Joiner made a motion to have Mark Joiner sign the dispute resolution form, acknowledgement of receipt form and letter to Colorado upon the review of the Colorado Plan and having no comments by the Wyoming 700 MHz RPC members. Seconded by Craig Post, motion passed on a voice vote.

Discussion on the 700 MHz Data spectrum allocation. The FCC rules are not completed at this time on data transmissions.

Doug Kerr – Carlson Wireless Technologies presented information on the 4.9 GHz products that are available through Carlson Wireless Technologies.

The draft 700 MHz plan will be posted on the PSCC website at <http://psc.wyoming.gov/>

Discussion on The Cyren Call proposal for data transmissions.

Next Meeting – Mark Joiner will notify the members of an April meeting upon the review of the comments on the 700 MHz plan.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Symons, PSCC Administrative Support