

April 6, 2017

Proceedings:

The Quarterly KWIEC meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Jim Barnhart.

Roll was called and a quorum was present so Jim opened the meeting.

Jim asked if there was any discussion on the last quarter's meeting minutes and with there being none called for a motion to approve the minutes.

A vote was taken and the Minutes were approved unanimously by the committee.

Chairperson's Report (Briefed by Chuck Miller):

<u>Policy</u> - Per the directives of the KWIEC, the PSWG is required to do the project reviews. They must follow OEC guidance and align projects to the State Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP). Also they must comply with the KWIEC decision to eliminate the further propagation of any propriety systems. That is how Dave and his group did their reviews and he'll go into that in more depth.

<u>Reviews</u> - For 2017, I received and processed 55 projects so far which were submitted to the group for review. Seven were not favorably considered as they did not comply with the requirements.

<u>SCIP</u> - At the last meeting the KWIEC approved the update to the State Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP) with an Approval date of January 2017. It was posted to the KWIEC Website. <u>www.kwiec.ky.gov</u>

<u>Transparency</u> - Previously there were some questions on how we can show the review and decision making process. Jeremy of the PSWG will brief the process.

Jeremy briefed: this is the first time we have used Survey Monkey for the entire review process; it seems to be going well. We are keeping records in PDF format, it is stored on the KWIEC Website on the back end. Not public facing. Everything is documented. This seems to work very well. This fixed the issue of all the emails flooding everyone's inbox. It will be the Process going forward.

This new process resolves the concerns that were brought up concerning transparency and open records. The cost of using this system is just over \$350 a year.

Funding Initiative Workgroup Report (Not Briefed – Drew Chandler was not present)

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Public Safety Working Group Report (Briefed by David Barker):

<u>Personnel Change</u> - Barry Sanford is now working for Emergency Management, with this all the areas are covered now. Barry is the lead for ESF2 for Kentucky as well as the lead for Training working through the SWIT.

Communications Exercise - It is coming up in June. This is a three-week event,

<u>Training</u> - Three request for training were put in, two COMT classes and one AuxCom. COMU is new, that is equipment and personnel. The COMU plan is something that OHS is going to come in and work with us, we don't have a date for that yet

700 & 800 MHz – Brandon is going to CAPRAD class in Dallas TX.

<u>Interoperability</u> – as a group we now use Survey Monkey. Reviewed 55 projects for the KWIEC so far. Graded 70 communications grants for KOHS.

<u>Special Events</u> - Rolex, Apr 27-30. Thunder Over Louisville, Apr 22. KY Oaks & Derby, May 5-6. KY Statewide Communication Exercise, Jun 11-30. KY Eclipse Aug 21.

SWIC Report (Briefed by Derek Nesselrode):

<u>FirstNet update:</u> The 25 year contract was awarded to AT&T. It will be a commercial network as well and includes the 40,000 AT&T Wi-Fi hot spots, and 72 Band 14 dedicated deployable CALs nationwide.

AT&T will offer the network to Public safety after the op-in decision is made by the Governor. The network will use SIM technology to provide priority to first responders. They will build out band 14 to fill in gaps of their commercial network. A 24/7 help desk will be available and applications specifically for public safety will be developed. The pricing model will be comparable to their commercial products

AT&T has a large commercial footprint within the commonwealth with large gaps in Eastern and Southwestern KY. AT&T has acknowledged that they are going to have to invest in construction to provide the coverage that Public Safety needs. The Commonwealth can dictate to AT&T how that happens. We will know more once we receive the state plans.

There is going to be a SPOC meeting in June to lay out the State Plan delivery process.

The KWIEC, as the governing body, is responsible for recommending opt-in or opt-out to the Governor's office. After the initial state plan is delivered we can review and make recommendations based upon that plan. Gaps can be addressed and a final plan delivered (target fall of 2017). Upon Opt-In AT&T will be ready to start the deployment process immediately after. By Q4 of 2017 opt-in states will be able to sign up for service.

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This is a data network, the same type of LTE, voice and data technology used today with Air cards and smart phones.

Devices are supposed to be able to work on both band 14 and the commercial network.

Any state assets that we have may be offered but in most areas they have a commercial footprint already so it's not even going to be an option. We have to evaluate that based on the state plan.

Derek, his staff and consultants have looked at the Opt-out liability and it's not very attractive. They are prepared to do if required so but don't think it's going to be necessary.

<u>SWIC Update</u> – Derek welcomed Barry to his new position as the ESF2 lead.

Derek introduced his two new FirstNet employees, Curtis Nale, and Cathy Dawson. They will be outreach coordinators and will meet with local elected officials and first responders.

Derek thanked and acknowledged the work of the PSWG stating that they had done an amazing job the past year.

New Business and Open Discussion

Derek introduced members from the Office of Emergency Communication for a briefing on the OEC direction and how it will affect the State.

{The OEC presentation is available upon request.}

Adjournment:

Jim asked if there was any other business and with there being none, the meeting was adjourned.

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