# **Southern Nevada Area Communications Council**



# **MEETING MINUTES**

Date: October 21, 2015

Location: Las Vegas Valley Water District

Mead 3 Conference Room 1001 S. Valley Boulevard Las Vegas, NV 89107

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Board members present: Dane Mattoon, Chair Lou Amell, Vice Chair

Brian Nebeker Scott Mazick
Frank Milligan Ed Babauta
Chris Vasquez Kevin Nicholson

Bill Baltas

# Call to Order

• Meeting was called at 10:04 A.M. by the Chair, Dane Mattoon.

# **Public Comment:**

- Bryan Szalewski from Clark County I.T. wanted to discuss the NCore System. Clark County IT will start working on testing of the NCore System the first Tuesday of every month starting in November. They will be testing and would like some feedback on the testing.
- Lou Amell asked what channel they are going to be using for this testing. Mr. Szalewski said that there will be an email sent out to advise which channels would be used. The idea is to go through all of the channels.

Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda, and two or more items may be combined for consideration. The Board may also remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item at any time

- 1. Approve the agenda with the inclusion of tabled and/or reconsidered items, emergency items and/or deletion of items, and approve the minutes of the October 21, 2015 meeting (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)
- Motion was made to approve the agenda and minutes; motion passed unanimously
- 2. Receive a report from the Nevada Public Safety Communications Committee (NPSCC) from SNACC's Representative member. (FOR DISCUSSION)

- There has not been a meeting but there will be a meeting in November.
- There was a meeting for the sub-committee State of Nevada 9-1-1 (Lou Amell is the Coordinator) they will be presenting some information from this meeting to the NPSCC.
- 3. Receive the Administrator's Report with the inclusion of the status on the P25 migration upgrade, Airtime Monthly Report, Detailed Busies, and Push-To-Talks for the month of August 2015. (FOR DISCUSSION):

#### **SNACC Administrator's Report**

#### October 21, 2015

#### **P25 and Console Upgrade Project**

- Programming of the Las Vegas Valley Water District and Southern Nevada Water Authority radios has been completed, programming for Las Vegas Fire and Rescue units have also been completed. The programming teams are presently working on North Las Vegas radios
- With the upcoming New Year's Eve events happening in the future, the schedule for upgrading the system has been changed to make sure there are no capacity or functionality issues during this period. Subscriber programming has been moved to be completed in the April/May 2016 time frame. The simulcast conversion to P25 will be held until after the first of the year, with the exception of 5 channels which will be able to be converted sooner. This can happen due to Motorola constructing a 10 Channel legacy site on Arden Peak to allow the RTC and McCarran to move off the simulcast. These are our two heaviest users on the simulcast system. Testing was done to confirm moving these users to other sites would not affect their operations.
- > A presentation is being put together for users to explain the changes with the system and why this is happening. This will be offered to SNACC agencies when they get re-programmed. Customers that have already been re-programmed will be invited to attend these meetings as they get scheduled.

#### **Administration issues**

Due to the extended schedule for the completion of this project, we have been adjusting schedules in order to minimize overtime expenses for the SNACC employees. SNACC and Motorola are working to keep things moving along during normal business hours when possible.

#### **Technical Working Group**

> Discussions were held on future programming of customer units and the use of IOP channels.

#### **Operations and Governance Working Group**

> Discussion were also held for this working group on the layout of the fleetmaps for departments on the SNACC system, and the Use of IOP channels for coordination during large events. More will be brought to the board after more discussions on these topics within the working group.

#### **System Issues**

> There were no system issues to report in September.

### **System Reports**

- > Airtime Monthly Report: Sept 2015
- Detailed Busies Report: Sept 2015
- > Push-To-Talks Report: Sept 2015

- Administrator Dave Goss mentioned an issue from this morning 10/21/2015 due to some interference on Arden. There was a TV station engineer who Administrator Dave Goss contacted. The engineer said that SNACC should not be on the site. The guy hung up the phone but the Administrator was able to mention that this is interfering with Public Safety radio communications. The Administrator advised the gentleman that he would contact the FCC (Federal Communications Council). The Administrator did not want to mention any names because he did not know exactly where the interference was coming from.
- Civil District Attorney Steven Sweikert advised that contacting the FCC first would be the best way to go before having the rest of the Board get involved or if it is a continuing problem.

# 4. Receive a report from Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department on their 9-1-1 upgrade status. (FOR DISCUSSION)

- Director Barnbeck of LVMPD (Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department) was not able to attend. The Chair proceeded to review the flyers of a meeting for LVMPD is going to offer up their Motorola Network to leverage the State's system.
- The Chair would like to inform the Board so that they can possibly discuss SNACC offering up.
- Lou Amell commented that this is something the Board has had discussion with Motorola and SNACC has tremendous leverage with the switches that would allow them to create their system and allow interoperability between the State, SNACC, and LVMPD.
- Henry Johnson of Motorola commented that tying the systems together would be a decision for all of the agencies to decide on. The State is getting a new consultant for a project based on the RFP they provided. The state will decide whether they want a new system or leverage their system with a current system.
- Dane Mattoon suggested SNACC have a meeting with LVMPD before bringing this an agenda item to the Board to discuss this further. Possibly having a Technical Working Group meeting and OPS/GOV Working Group or a combination of the two.
- Dane Mattoon will schedule a meeting with Director Barnbeck to discuss this further.

# 5. Increase the SNACC overtime budget line item for customer reprogramming.

- Administrator Dave Goss requested to have \$10,000 added to the overtime budget line item so that the item does not have to be returned to the Board and the intent is not to use it all but only to have it there just in case.
- Frank Milligan asked where the figure of \$10,000 came from. Administrator Goss responded that there was no specific reason but that was just a figure that he came up with.
- Lou Amell commented that he was not comfortable with \$10,000 being added and would feel more comfortable with \$5,000.
- Kevin Nicholson asked if it was required to amend the budget and that usually you can continue to use it and not move money around. Dane Mattoon agreed with Kevin Nicholson on continuing the use of the current budget and if it goes over then just let it play out and discuss it later.
- Brian Nebeker asked Administrator Dave Goss, if further down the road, he could bring forth a report of what the expenditure forecast would be for the overtime line item after the P25 upgrade. Administrator Dave Goss agreed on creating this for Board at a later date.
- Administrator Dave Goss also commented that the calendars provided are for the P25 Subscriber programming.

# **COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:**

<b>NEXT MEETING DATE/ADJOURN:</b> The next meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2015 at 10:00A.M. The meeting adjourned at 10:38 A.M.	
Respectfully submitted:	
Dane Mattoon, Chairman Attachments	