

**PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION TEAM
800 MHz UPGRADE PROJECT**

JULY 2, 2008

9:00 AM

**HURON VALLEY AMBULANCE
MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was convened at 9:04 AM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Carpus, Jack Ceo, Al D'Agostino, Ed Dziubinski, Dave Halteman, Craig Swenson, Ed Toth, and Spring Tremaine.

OTHERS PRESENT: None.

ABSENT: Jeff Fulton, Jeff Lewis, and Scott Patton.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved D'Agostino, Seconded Halteman to approve the agenda as distributed. Approved: Unanimous. Absent: Fulton, Lewis, and Patton.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 29, 2008:

Moved D'Agostino, Seconded Swenson to approve the minutes of the May 29, 2008, meeting as distributed. Approved: Unanimous. Absent: Fulton, Lewis, and Patton.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Craig Swenson addressed the group along with Jack Ceo speaking about the Subscriber unit contract. It was reported that the Change Order to Motorola was approved at the last meeting of the POC held on June 9th. It was also mentioned by Craig that the number of radios to be supported on the system continues to grow. There are two sources for that growth – one is the growing number of radios being purchased on grants, and the other is the number of radios that continue to be discovered in County government that exist on the system now that we did not include in the original counts. For instance, 30 radios were just purchased with Homeland Security money for distribution to Police agencies using Reserve Officers. Additionally, the county has discovered radios in the hands of Community Mental Health and the Juvenile Court that are on our 800 MHz radio system.

b. Craig Swenson gave us the following update on the tower sites: 2602 (Baker Road) is moving along fine, nothing new to report; 2603 (Sunset) we will locate a platform over the water tank, and pay to have a crane lift a light weight structure onto it. Spring was tasked with getting the agreement in place with the City of Ann Arbor to do all this. 2604 (Northfield Township) is now looking like it might end up on the German Park property. Cost of providing electricity to Park Northfield was approaching \$100,000, and we would still have to obtain easements from 3 property owners for electrical right-of-way. A meeting is scheduled with the Park Executive Board and general membership to consider the issue further. 2605 (WEMU) negotiations began with the WEMU people. They made some rather large demands, to include monthly payments of \$1,500, that we continue to provide them with propane for their generator, that we maintain

their generator, and that we provide water to the site. We discussed looking for property to purchase, and abandoning this site, due to the large demands, and the fact that we can be ordered off the site at any time. Because we already have Superior Township approvals for this site, it was decided to continue with negotiations and see how they proceed, with the idea that we may begin looking elsewhere.

In the middle of this discussion, it was **Moved** by Swenson, and **Seconded** by Dziubinski that we recommend to the Project Oversight Committee that they do as much as possible to solidify control of all the tower sites for the next 30 years, to include purchasing property that they are located on if necessary. Approved: Unanimous. Absent: Fulton, Lewis, and Patton.

2606 (Bemis Road) is still moving smoothly. There will be a meeting on the issue with the York Township Board on July 8th at 7:30 PM at their Township Hall. The lease with the State has gone back to them for their final approval. 2607 (Manchester) has all necessary approvals from Manchester Township. An agreement now has to be finalized with the Manchester School Board for use of the land. At 2608 (Sylvan) the talks with the Washtenaw County Roads people did not go well. They, too, are asking \$1,500 per month rent for the site, and they want us to construct a cyclone fence to enclose the length of the driveway to the tower (about 500 to 600 feet worth) so persons servicing the site are precluded from entering the pit proper. They also chastised Craig for trespassing on their property in an earlier visit to see if the property might be viable. After the less than promising meeting with the County Road folks, a meeting was set with Chelsea city representatives to visit and consider the site of their former dump on Stoufer Road to erect a tower there.

c. Craig Swenson passed out a listing of what he has put together as a starting point for the talk groups we might want to consider for our templates. It appeared to be very well thought out. Some minor additions and deletions were made during a discussion of the issue, and it was commended to everyone's attention for further discussion at our next meeting. We also briefly talked about the site visits a group of us made to Livingston and Genesee county dispatch centers on June 11th. As reported by Craig, perhaps the most interesting information received on that day was that Genesee County has received credits from MPSCS for their infrastructure that have no expiration date. In other words, the credits for their system are good until they are exhausted, without a ten year limit on them. We will see if we can negotiate a similar deal with MPSCS for our credits.

d. There was no other old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Al D'Agostino stated that there was mention made during a SE Fire Chiefs meeting that during the current State budget talks, there was conversation that the level of funding needed for DIT to maintain the MPSCS infrastructure might take a hit, and we need to consider if future maintenance costs for the MPSCS membership might go up.

b. There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:24 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Next meeting date set for Thursday, July 24th at 1:00 PM at HVA.