



# OCICS – Team Leads

## Monthly Project Status Meeting

July 15, 2009

9:30 a.m. @ the 911 Center Roll Call Room

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### Present were:

Jan Blair, Motorola	Rick Rioux - Team Lead Syracuse Police ( <i>absent</i> )
Aaron Boone, Motorola ( <i>excused</i> )	Bob Haumann, Syracuse Police
John Balloni, Commissioner, Project Administrator ( <i>Vacation</i> )	Jeff Daly - Deputy Chief, Team Lead Syracuse Fire
Jo-Anne Munroe, Deputy Commissioner, Team Lead County 911	Bill Bleyle - Captain, Team Lead Onon Co Police Agencies
Lori Hable, Secretary to the Commissioner, 911 Center	Ray Herrick, Team Lead Sheriff's Office
Ed Healy, PSSS, Team Lead, Voice Recorder	Robert Capria, OCSO ( <i>absent</i> )
David Stevenson, Consultant, Team Lead, Technical	Tony DiGregorio – Director, Team Lead EMS
John Heisler, III, County Executive's Office ( <i>absent</i> )	Dave Steinberg – County Fire Chiefs
Joe Rinefierd, Director Fire Bureau, Project Point of Contact	Mike Downey – Team Lead NYSP ( <i>absent</i> )
Ben Rinaldi, PSSS, 911 Center, Team Lead Policy & Procedures	Brian Butler – United Radio
Carl Loerzel – PSSS, Team Lead CAD Integration	Ken Cook – Central Region Fire Districts Association
Kevin Spraker, PSD, Technical, 911 ( <i>excused</i> )	Kevin Pooley – United Radio
Sean Sparks, SODO, Team Lead Technical, 911	Tom Callahan, Team Lead, Information Technology ( <i>N/A</i> )
Scott McInnis, SODO, Assistant Technical, 911	Chick Langone – Langone & Associates ( <i>N/A</i> )
Chuck Combs – SODO, Team Lead Training	Norm Boucher – Langone & Associates ( <i>N/A</i> )
Lucy Howard – Team Lead Asset Management	

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### [Opening Comments & Updates – Joe Rinefierd, Project \(Manager\) Point of Contract](#)

Good news, the FCC granted the remaining 5 sites of the original 12 sites filed on 7/14/09. We now have licenses for 13 fixed sites; we can now delete Dutch Hill. The three Western sites are in Canada for the first round currently.

### Project Updates

#### [Sean Sparks, SODO, Team Lead Technical](#)

A lot of work has been accomplished the last couple of weeks. The FNE (fixed network equipment) is complete at all three of the western sites. The Motorola group, Systems

Integration Team arrived Monday July 13, 2009 at the Center to turn equipment on at the sites. The upgrade team will be here beginning July-27 for 2 weeks.

Motorola met with our tower vendor Mike Cortese on Antenna & hard line being ordered. Some antennas will be redeployed to different sites. We are picking up speed with this project.

Frequency issues are nearly resolved.

Restarts can be done on a position-by-position basis.

The OCC Antenna Extension Project will add 20-feet to the existing antenna. The voter antenna & RACES will be repositioned on the tower, but service should not be affected during the move. The foundation for the building is poured. Clear Channel will co-locate a high-power FM station when the project is complete. Co-locates will provide an income stream to the county.

Sean noted that the template approval by Motorola is affecting the OCICS project, the Oct-01 deadline is approaching.

Tony DiGregorio inquired about Air 1, which recently upgraded its radio while the ship was down for regular maintenance. As a result, Air 1 no longer has a Low Band radio. Air 1 can **MONITOR** channel 1 and **COMMUNICATE** with ground units on channel 6 (Fire) or Hospital Net (EMS). If there is a police unit on scene, they can relay a message to Air 1 to go to either of these channels.

#### [Carl Loerzel, Team Lead CAD Integration](#)

CAD is scheduled for September 19<sup>th</sup> for the push-to-talk upgrade. The Push to talk interface and the backup site Zetron connection to CAD are scheduled to be done the week of Oct 19<sup>th</sup>. In addition, we have started talking about how to handle the assignment of TAC channels and ways to do that utilizing CAD.

#### [Ben Rinaldi, Team Lead Policy & Procedures](#)

The Fire Subcommittee is meeting regularly. They have their tactical radio plan, mayday procedures and emergency button procedure. All need to be approved now. For Police, the subcommittee needs to sit down and discuss tactical channel further. EMS subcommittee's last meeting was cancelled, but they are also meeting a regular basis.

#### [Chuck Combs, Team Lead Training](#)

Training is on hold at this time. We did start the conference calls weekly again with Motorola training group. Next, we need to set up the management courses for the Technical Staff. Even though SPD is scheduled first for installations, there will be no training at this time. Agencies will have to wait for system availability. Agencies will be looking at 4 hours of training for the trainers, and 4 hours for the end users. We will move forward once we get the green light.

#### [Lucy Howard, Team Lead, Asset Management](#)

Nothing new to report with Asset Management.

[Ed Healy, Team Lead Voice Recorder](#)

We are purchasing 2-NICE recorders for the BOC to replace CVDS. Purchasing has not issued the PO yet.

[Scott McInnis, Team Lead Technical Assistant to Sean Sparks](#)

The OCICS template was kicked-back from Motorola again. There are about 20 button issues. Motorola will schedule a meeting to plan to fix these issues by next week. The installs cannot begin until Motorola approves the templates. Thanks to Captain Bleyle the percentage of radio ID's are in on the excel sheet. There are still 22 fire departments outstanding. We need to move forward on this and do it ourselves.

[Captain Bill Bleyle, Team Lead Onondaga County Police Agencies](#)

The portable and mobile assignments are complete. Some agencies will have both VHF and UHF radios in their vehicles. If United Radio wants to start with any of the town/village agencies they can. See Scott McInnis for this list. The Law Enforcement Team subcommittee meets tomorrow to review outstanding template issues. Law Enforcement will start meeting on police/fire and EMS Interops discussion for NIMS material and off network.

[Deputy Chief Daly, Team Lead Syracuse Fire](#)

All Set.

[Tony DiGregorio, Onondaga County EMS Team Leads](#)

Scott McInnis has been very helpful. EMS is feeding off what fire is doing and we appreciate all that fire is doing!

[Ken Cook, Dave Steinberg, Joe Rinefierd, Assistant Team Lead, Central Region Fire Districts](#)

Dave Steinberg requested a list of fire departments that did not submit their information yet. See Scott McInnis.

[Jan Blair, Motorola](#)

Sean Sparks mentioned it all. Jan spoke with Mike Cortese who is ordering the tower brackets for the sites. We have 12 sites to start with.

[Dave Stevenson](#) said we need to check with Emil Vogel as Dutch Hill is still listed on the new license.

[Brian Butler, Kevin Pooley, United Radio](#)

Nothing new to add.

## Open Discussion

*Carl Loerzel*

The coverage-testing deadline is scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup>. Is the plan for resources being reviewed so that we know how many people from the 911 Center will be needed? Jan Blair discussed the engineering deployment with vehicles and drivers needed and a contact person to document the data.

*Dave Stevenson* asked Jan Blair to lay out 90% of the Test and Acceptance and what it would consist of. Jan Blair said it would consist of audio checks, but no signal checks, validate audio quality level coverage in areas etc. Dave Stevenson said we need to fire up the equipment early on and asked what the drop-dead date is to turn on the Civic Center. Joe Rinefierd said we need to get the generator to the roof and the power conversion project complete first. He will contact Facilities to check on the status and push this along. All the sites need to be on the air in order to do the coverage testing. Jan Blair said Motorola still has some retuning issues, but are hoping this will occur no later than August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Dave Stevenson said that the way the back-up site was designed wrong and it shares two different sources of power. The final connectivity to the Civic Center Tower and supply breaker boxes with 200 AMP service are built there. If the discrepancy between Facilities and our engineers continues any longer, where is the extra money coming from to get this project completed on target? The County hired a reputable engineering firm but is being second-guessed by Facilities engineers. Joe Rinefierd said he would look into it.

*Joe Rinefierd* said a citizen applied for a windmill permit in the Pendergast Road area. The windmill is 110 feet. Lysander has an ordinance for windmills. After discussion it was determined that County Planning should send out letters to Town & Village's regarding applications for windmills and that it would also need approval by the 911 Center also as not to interfere with tower sites.

*Captain Bleyle* asked where we are with BDA's. Joe Rinefierd said he believes the Law Department is working on it but will check.

Deputy Commissioner Munroe asked Joe Rinefierd to please check with Commissioner Balloni first on the Civic Center generator as he has been working on moving it forward.

Some fire agencies bought their new radios on a fire grant and need them operational by October first due to the Federal Governments regulations. Kevin Pooley suggested programming the radios with UTAC channels so that they can be up and running.

*SODO Chuck Combs* suggested holding another public agency overview at OCC Excel so that all agencies know where we are headed in the project at this time. Joe Rinefierd suggested waiting until we have the last three sites approved and then add to the agenda.

*Tony DiGregorio* inquired what the status was on the Governor signing the surcharge bill. D/C Munroe said it was called down from the senate yesterday and must be acted on by July 23. Legislator Ryan will

let the County Executive Office know when the governor is ready to take it up so that County Executive Mahoney can call.

Meeting Adjourned.

The next OCICS Team Leads Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 19, 2009 @ 9:00 a.m. in the 911 Roll Call Room