



OCICS – Team Leads

Monthly Project Status Meeting

August 18, 2009

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

Present were:

Jan Blair, Motorola

Aaron Boone, Motorola (*vacation*)

Rick Angelillo, Motorola

Walt Thomas, Motorola

John Balloni, Commissioner, Project Administrator

Jo-Anne Munroe, Deputy Commissioner, Team Lead County 911 (*vacation*)

Lori Hable, Secretary to the Commissioner, 911 Center

Joe Rinefield, Dir Fire Bureau, Project Point of Contact

Ed Healy, PSSS, Team Lead, Voice Recorder

David Stevenson, Consultant, Team Lead, Technical

John Heisler, III, County Executive's Office (*excused*)

Ben Rinaldi, PSSS, Team Lead Policy & Procedures

Carl Loerzel, PSSS, Team Lead CAD Integration

Kevin Spraker, PSD, Technical, 911 (*excused*)

Sean Sparks, SODO, Team Lead Technical, 911

Scott McInnis, SODO, Assistant Technical, 911

Chuck Combs, SODO, Team Lead Training

Lucy Howard, Team Lead Asset Management

Rick Rioux, Team Lead Syracuse Police

Bob Haumann, Syracuse Police

Jeff Daly, Deputy Chief, Team Lead Syracuse Fire

Bill Bleyle, Captain, Team Lead Onon Co Police Agencies

Ray Herrick, Team Lead Sheriff's Office

Robert Capria, OCSO

Tony DiGregorio, Director, Team Lead EMS (*excused*)

Dave Steinberg, County Fire Chiefs

Mike Downey, Team Lead NYSP

Brian Butler, United Radio

Ken Cook, Central Region Fire Districts Association

Kevin Pooley, United Radio

Tom Callahan, Team Lead, Information Technology (*N/A*)

Chick Langone, Langone & Associates

Norm Boucher, Langone & Associates (*N/A*)

Opening Comments & Updates, Joe Rinefield, Project (Manager) Point of Contract

Welcomed everyone to the meeting and turned it over to Commissioner Balloni.

Project Updates, Commissioner Balloni, Project Administrator

The licensing issues are in good shape now.

Governor Patterson signed the 911 landline surcharge bill. The surcharge increase passed at the Public Safety Committee meeting. September 1, 2009 this bill goes to the full Legislature for vote. Commissioner Balloni requested that representatives from Public Safety please attend the Full County Leg meeting on September 1 to show your support for the surcharge bill. Commissioner Balloni said he appreciates anyone who can show up and he will send an e-mail out reminding everyone of the date and time.

NYSAC attended the SIPO conference where Mike Allen and Commissioner Balloni delivered their presentation on the Regional System. NYSAC invited them to present the program at the NYSAC meeting September 17, 2009. The State is interested in getting on board, and representatives from NYSAC's Budget Department will be at the 911 Center on September 29, 2009 to tour our facility and review our system.

Our Department received \$250,000 grant money, which is the result of Charlie Gabriel working on getting grant money pushed through towards the Radio Project. We are building momentum. Any questions? None.

Chick Langone, Consultant

Reported on the status of frequency licenses. All 15 trunked frequencies are licensed at all sites. The paging license is all set at all sites and we are now waiting for the last three new sites to be licensed. One frequency was missed at a site on a license and that change was corrected. We corrected an antenna height at the Civic Center also. We should be finishing up within the next 60 days with licensing and then we can get the system tested, up and running.

Sean Sparks, SODO, Team Lead Technical

We are moving along. The antenna installations are in full swing. Baldwinsville will occur today and Cicero tomorrow. The Motorola Team is here and working on the over air communications through the Master Site, the links between the existing sites and new sites. The Center experienced some lightning issues when the storm passed through Onondaga County last week. Baldwinsville tower took a lightning hit, but the lightning protection that was installed there did its job. Other sites were also affected with minor issues.

The generator is on order for the CC Site. We are switching over power to our own feed and no longer using power through OCC. The FNE (fixed network equipment) is complete at all sites. The infrastructure is very robust.

The Civic Center Generator relocation project is moving forward. Sean made contact with the Generator Contractor who is finishing the plumbing for diesel fuel work. We will minimize our down time to lift the generator to the Civic Center Roof and hook it up. Joe Rinefierd was substantial with pushing this project through. Thank you Joe! Sean Sparks will issue notification on the exact date and time of the lift of the generator.

Carl Loerzel, Team Lead CAD Integration

CAD is still on scheduled for October.

Ben Rinaldi, Team Lead Policy & Procedures

Is waiting on Motorola to finalize the talk group plan. Once it is finalized, Ben will schedule another meeting with law enforcement.

Jan Blair – Has the last version from Scott McInnis and made a couple comments on it but hopes to have it finalized this week.

Rick Rioux, Team Lead Syracuse Police

Our department received 22 new marked vehicles and 10 used vehicles that need to be rolled out as soon as possible. We are requesting the radios installed in them soon if possible so we do not have to do it twice. Commissioner Balloni instructed Rick to speak with Kevin Pooley from United Radio for scheduling this and get it done.

Liverpool also has a grant deadline of October 1, 2009 for installation of radios to be working.

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

Nothing new to report.

[Chuck Combs, Team Lead Training](#)

We discussed with the Motorola training group through a conference call that the Train the Trainer course is on hold. The tentative Law Enforcement training is scheduled for mid October. Console training is scheduled in November for 911 employees. We are waiting for the templates in order to accomplish the Train the Trainer class. We will issue the dates once everything is finalized. Chuck Combs asked if the final configuration for police and fire/EMS was the same. Scott McInnis will get the final configuration to Chuck Combs, as there were a couple changes. We re-canvassed for the matrix of each agency with a deadline of September 1, 2009. Each agency will be contacted directly. After Labor Day, we will schedule to sit with the Team Leads and discuss the needs of the agencies by discipline.

Kevin Pooley asked, with training the agencies, who is scheduled for radios first. SPD is all set. Chuck Combs said he has five (5) sessions scheduled for Train the Trainers. October is Law Enforcement and Emergency Management next. We need to make sure the right people are attending the right sessions.

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

Nothing new to report with Asset Management.

[Jan Blair, Motorola](#)

Sean Sparks already reported on the tower site work being done. The brackets for the PTP equipment, microwave link for the sites, are in and should be complete next week.

Dave Stevenson asked Jan Blair when the special antennas (KAT Antennas) for the West are due in. Jan Blair said late September and some in October.

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

Just waiting for the system to be turned on in order to test building penetration.

Captain Bleyle – Asked Jan Blair is we will make the October 1 deadline. Jan Blair said the Project date is actually the end of September, however, if some antennas will not be delivered until sometime in October, probably not. Captain Bleyle then discussed the off network TAC frequencies. Short-term do we have ample frequencies? Chick Langone identified 19 that were low power public safety frequencies. Madison County has some and Oswego County has some. Chick said he would put together a Master Consortium of frequencies and who shares what. If we are able to share 6 to 7 frequencies by the surrounding counties, we should be all set. We are protected by the 19 but additional ones are being looked at. There is a near term solution. Chick added that January 2013 is the deadline for narrow banding.

[Ray Herrick, Team Leads Onondaga County Sheriff's](#)

Nothing new to report.

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

Ken Cook asked if the deadline to purchase radios under the bulk order is December 15th. The deadline is December 31, 2009 but your orders should be in by December 15th. A letter will go out to all agencies as a reminder. Lucy Howard will update the Website to state this information.

Commissioner Balloni - A couple weeks ago, Kevin Spraker, working with Motorola, made a connection from the Motorola network to the county network. This will allow the Motorola POP25 computer to be placed anywhere on the network and the NICE recording systems to all work together. Between the NICE analog recorders for phone recording and analog radio traffic (which is on the county network) and the Nice IP based recorders (Motorola network) for the new Motorola system.

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

Motorola IP recorders are up and running. Ed is working with Wilmac on getting the back up site recorders up and running.

Chuck Combs – Asked Joe Rinefierd if he was going to schedule a Project Overview presentation to all public safety. Joe Rinefierd said possibly in September/October once everything is finalized.

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

Some agencies not on the system are requesting to have the frequencies programmed in their radios. Our response is if they are authorized by the 911 Center Commissioner to have these frequencies programmed in the radios then we will do it. We are looking for direction on this. Joe Rinefierd said he believes these agencies are looking for non-conventional frequencies.

Joe Rinefierd said Dick Case from Motorola asked him if agencies could purchase Kenwood radios, as they are cheaper. Agencies could, but then they would not be on the system. Commissioner Balloni strongly encourages all agencies NOT TO PURCHASE OTHER RADIOS. You need P25 radios to be part of the system standard.

Chick Langone added that no other manufacturer meets P25 and there will be operational issues with going to another radio. They will not meet all the options on the system. Joe Rinefierd said he would address these concerns with Dick Case. More discussion continued. Our main concern is to get our new system up and running. We do not monitor off system channels etc. The bid picture here with the project is “interoperability” and agencies need to be compliant with full capability radios recommended to purchase. We are the licensee so we can dictate what radios to purchase.

Deputy Chief Daly suggested sending a letter to all the radio businesses that they cannot program our frequencies in just anyone’s radios as we hold the licenses. ***Commissioner Balloni*** said he would put a letter together to the Radio Shops stating that they would need our permission to program the radios.

The next OCICS Team Leads Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 2009 @ 9:30 a.m. in the 911 Roll Call Room.

Meeting Adjourned.