



Franklin Regional Council of Governments

Meeting Minutes: Franklin County Emergency Communication System Oversight Committee

Date	April 16, 2020	Location	John W. Olver Transit Center 12 Olive St Greenfield, MA 1 st Floor Meeting Room	Facilitators	Walter Tibetts
Time	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.	Duration	1.5 Hours	Meeting Cancellation Notice	413-774-3167 x153

Agenda Items	Action/Motion
1. Welcoming remarks/agenda/introductions	Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. This meeting was held over an online conferencing software which the public could utilize for free. In attendance were Joe Cuneo, Bob Dean, Butch Garrity, Dan Nietzsche, John Paciorek, Bill Perlman, Kurt Seaman, Mark Williams
2. Review/approval of February 20, 2020 meeting minutes	Motion: John Paciorek motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on February 20, 2020. Bill Perlman seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
3. Chairman's Report	Nothing to Report
4. Radio System Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. New Salem Link b. New Salem Antenna Project c. Montague Microwave Project d. Remote Access at Shelburne Mt 	<p>New Salem Microwave link – Everything is hung and powered. Kurt is currently meeting with Craig to match the servers to get Grace to talk to New Salem. The only other glitch is the aiming from Royalston to New Salem did not go well. It did not achieve the engineered signal strength. The manufacturer has been consulted. They want to have the installers re-aim the link.</p> <p>Greenfield 1 channel Gong effect – Kurt reported that it will cost \$8,500 to replace the radio which is causing this effect. We do have spare transmit parts but Kurt would rather not use the last spare transmitter for a regional radio.</p> <p>Walter asked if it is a possibility to get some used parts. Kurt – Yes the possibility does exist.</p> <p>John Paciorek motioned to approve purchasing a new transmitter/radio after July 1st. Bill Perlman seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.</p> <p>Great Hill Power Supply – This unit powers the microwave which serves the western half of the FCECS. It also powers some of the WMELC system.</p>

	<p>Toby Microwave has had alarms on it. It was noticed that the units says "Replace Me" Kurt is going to reach out to MSP to see if there is connectivity between Great Hill and Toby to bypass this microwave link.</p> <p>JPS voters are activating up for SIM 2 at Great Hill. And Greenfield 2 channel – After power cycling all of them we lost Greenfield PD never came back on. We have one spare power supply for those units. Two power supplies have been ordered. They cost \$2,400 with no installation costs.</p>
5. 800MHz System Project	EOTSS is completing the grant process in which will allow the FRCOG to purchase the subscriber units.
6. Old Business	None
7. New Business	<p>Dan Nietsche proposed hiring a consultant to develop a website that would facilitate more efficient ordering and then distribution of subscriber units for the CoMIRS migration. He explained it would cost \$3,000. John Paciorek made a motion to appropriate \$3,000 to build the website. Bill Perlman seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.</p>
8. Business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the meeting	
9. Wrap up and adjourn	Bill Perlman made a motion to adjourn. Joe Cuneo seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:25 AM.