

RIVERCOM USER GROUP MEETING
RiverCom Conference Room,
Wenatchee, Washington
Tuesday, February 11, 2008

Present: Assistant Chief Phil Mosher, CCFD#1; Jim Brown, WPD; Karl Jonasson, CCPHD-2; Chief Dennis Ashmore, CCFD#7; Wayne Walker, Lifeline; Sgt. Dave Helvey, DCSO; Chief Stan Smoke, WFD; Bill Horner, CCFD#3; Millie Tirapelle, RiverCom.

Phil Mosher called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Introductions: Made by all present.

RiverCom Director Report:

- Director Tirapelle advised that RiverCom benefited from the Okanogan and Grant Counties Homeland Security Dam Buffer Zone Grant by acquiring a microwave link from Burch Mountain to RiverCom. Director Tirapelle further advised that this microwave link was included in the original grant submission, however was later removed. Director Tirapelle advised that she will request approval to pay Strata for their labor totaling \$2,574.00.
- Director Tirapelle discussed radio frequencies for the mobile repeaters. Phil Mosher stated that he understood that the second repeater is tactical and as long as the frequencies that are going to be input we will have approval from the State and Military.
- Director Tirapelle advised that Jerry Corder and Trevor Brandt are in phone training in Texas and Jackie Jones is on vacation; they will all be returning Tuesday, February 19th.
- Director Tirapelle advised that dispatcher trainee; Kristi Mahre resigned and we have two applicants in the background process.
- Letter to Board of Commissioners regarding 1/10th of 1% for funding options has been sent to both counties, she advised that she has not heard any response from either county.
- Director Tirapelle requested that Jim Brown address the MOU for CAD/Spillman usage by private ambulance companies. Jim advised that the Spillman Administrators requested guidance from the User Group and the RiverCom Administrative Board. Director Tirapelle thanked Dave Helvey for his work on drafting the MOU. Discussion was held regarding agencies accessing County Net Motion servers and the risks involved. Wayne Walker from LifeLine Ambulance advised that he will check with LifeLine IT staff; however he believes that LifeLine has a Net Motion server.
- Director Tirapelle advised that the radio (MUX) repairs at Badger Mountain went well with very little down time experienced by Douglas County.
- Director Tirapelle advised that Thurston and King Counties are taking the lead regarding Next Generation 911 (NG911). Director Tirapelle advised that NG911 is being viewed as an extension of the current 911 tax, not an additional tax for 911 services. Director Tirapelle advised that as more individuals switch to VoIP, funding is lost to the State and ultimately to all 911 centers in local and State tax revenue.
- Director Tirapelle provided a spreadsheet that reflects how the State 911 Office pays counties with contracts. The small counties like Ferry County receive additional funding due to the size. Some argue that small counties should be consolidated or regional centers.

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- Director Tirapelle advised that engineers from the new Arena were at RiverCom discussing communications within the arena. Director Tirapelle advised that John Fleckenstein has advised that the communications site at Carmichael will be used for communications within the Arena. Jim Brown advised that he received an e-mail stating that the Carmichael site will be vacated; he will forward the e-mail to Director Tirapelle.
- Phil Mosher questioned if RiverCom has received an update regarding the salary assistance for the IT Support from the State. Director Tirapelle advised that RiverCom will receive \$26,000.00; recommendation from the Policy Committee was \$26,000.00 per county, although RiverCom serves two counties, we only have one set of equipment therefore the State 911 Office has denied funding for two counties.

Committee Reports:

- Phil Mosher advised that an MOU is in place for CCFD#1 and the US Forest Service for sharing frequencies, however there is nothing in place for the US Forest service to use Fire Net.
- Chief Dennis Ashmore advised that CCFD#7 and Chelan EMS will be dispatching out of CCFD#7. This will be cost saving to Chelan EMS and a great service to the community.
- Director Tirapelle advised that she has not spoke with Misty Viebrock regarding fire response plans. Phil Mosher stated that Misty informed him she would be able to work on response plans from the console once she receives a laptop. Phil questioned if there is anyone else at RiverCom that is willing to learn fire response plans? Director Tirapelle advised that Trisha Stender will be learning from Misty.
- Discussion was held regarding addressing; Phil Mosher advised that the parcel layer is off a little bit. Bill Horner questioned if driveways with more than four (4) residences would be required to be named? Phil advised that at this point addressing is a work in progress and when completed they will revisit with the County Commissioners readdressing.
- Director Tirapelle advised that RiverCom is experiencing interference on Fire 1 with Kelly Paging and Lifeline; Day Wireless will be coming to RiverCom to correct this. Wayne Walker advised that by the end of February LifeLine will be eliminating paging.

Next Meeting; Tuesday, March 11, 2008