

## Illinois P25 Working Group

**November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Meeting Minutes 9:30 A.M.  
Moline Police Department's Community Room  
Project Manager Captain Darren Hart Presiding**

Attendees: Shawn Johnson, Steve Seiver, Darren Hart, Kathy Swett, Ron Erickson, Jason Foy, Jeff Snyder, J.D. Schulte, John Reynolds, Doug Maxeiner, and Mark VanKlaveren.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1) **Approval of the Minutes from the October 3rd, 2019 meeting:**

Motion made by Doug Maxeiner, Seconded by Steve Seiver: Roll call voice vote taken, motion carried.

11- Yes and 0 No

2) **Approval of Financial Report:**

Motion made by Doug Maxeiner, Seconded by J.D. Schulte: Roll call vote by municipality taken, motion carried.

6- Yes and 0 No

3) **Detailed Design Review (DDR) Update:**

A.) Darren Hart provided an update on the ongoing DDR process.

Darren Hart estimated this to be about 95% complete at this point. A change order is needed regarding some equipment. It will be reviewed by True North Consulting Group (TNCG) and brought to the committee for approval. Darren Hart projected the DDR to be signed off on here in the next few weeks.

**Hillsdale/Riverdale Middle School Site-** The tower location design was reviewed via saved computer images and a projector for the group. The north access road is not feasible from a financial stand point, we will use the existing road and repair any damage and upgrade the road as needed. A utilities easement is planned for the north property line if the existing transformer does not supply the necessary power. Kathy Swett, Darren Hart and Ron Erickson met with Riverdale School District #100 School

Board on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to work out final logistics and are hoping to have this site finalized with the lease agreement by the end of the year. A 99 year lease is the agreement at \$1 each year. The NEPA (National Environmental Protection Act) process has started on this site.

**Silvis Site-** This site designs were reviewed by the group via projector. There are some issues that need to be sorted out regarding the size of the compound at this time. Using the existing generator will be a determining factor. Edge, IMEG and Tri-City are determining if the existing generator possesses enough load for the tower. The property line will need to be worked around as we must remain 10 feet from the property line to the east. The base of the tower may need special consideration as well due to the soil, this is being evaluated.

**Coal Valley Site-** A change in site location was proposed to the working group due to terrain issues, existing cellular towers in our path to the Silvis tower and coverage issues for the southern portion of the county. The proposed location of the old Oak Glen Nursing Home would increase coverage to the southern portion of the county, specifically the Sherrard High School/Jr. High School area, which had no 15db coverage (in building coverage). By moving to the Oak Glen site (Rock Island County owns this location) it would give the school 15db coverage and only reduce the metropolitan coverage area less than 4/10<sup>ths</sup> of one percent. There will be no coverage impact to the metro area and it will increase coverage towards Milan, Coyne Center, Southwest Rock Island and the Sherrard area. The Oak Glen property will never be sold and the logistics surrounding the build out of a tower will be simpler. The terrain is much more level, which would provide cost savings but the tower height would need to increase by 60 feet thus adding cost. By moving to Oak Glen, it will help with the approval of the Riverdale site as Tammy Meurhoff (Superintendent of the Regional Office of Education) as this will be benefitting one of their schools (Sherrard). This was discussed among the group.

Steve Seiver made a motion to move the site tower location from Coal Valley to the Oak Glen Site pending approval by Racom, Edge and True North, seconded by Doug Maxeiner. Roll call voice vote taken, motion carried.

11- Yes and 0 No

**Rock Island Water Tower Site-** We are still waiting for communications with public works on the lease agreement and contact information for the right of way regarding the roadway in front of the tower. Doug Maxeiner will reach out to the Rock Island City Administrator to help with this process.

**Illinois City Site-** This site designs were reviewed by the group via projector. This site is essentially done. All the maps, legal language, and a tentative purchase agreement

have been prepared. The NEPA process has been started and this typically takes 4-6 months for completion for each respective site.

We reviewed a grid map and coverage map of the Quad Cities area regarding coverage. **Coverage Testing** will be done by Racom and they will drive each grid location to make sure the RFP is met. The portable will be hip mounted during testing and will have a 6" antenna on the portable.

There is one change order pending.

**4. OTHER BUSINESS:**

A) Lease Agreements- Riverdale- will go to the board for final approval by the end of the year. Silvis- we still needs to work out the placement of the site with border consideration. Oak Glen- will be a simple process with the RICO Sheriff's Office. Rock Island- has been red lined and we are awaiting feedback. Illinois City- has been drafted we are waiting on NEPA results and so forth.

Racom and Edge commented that we are ahead of where they expected us to be regarding property acquisition.

Invoices will be sent for the December payment. Edge came in earlier than anticipated and this payment should take us through May of 2020. Once the DDR is signed, Racom will start purchasing equipment. They will assemble the system and do a dry run in Marshalltown, Iowa.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public comments were made.

**6. NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting will be held on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Moline Police Department starting at 9:30 A.M.

**7. ADJOURNMENT:**

Doug Maxeiner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Jason Foy. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried for adjournment.

**11 Yes and 0 No**