



# Utah 911 Committee

**Jon Huntsman**  
Governor

**Randy Auman**  
Chair

**Gary Lancaster**  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair

**Laonna Davis**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair

**Phil Bates**  
Chair-Emeritus

October 19, 2006  
Minutes

## **Committee Member Attendees**

Randy Auman

Dean Cox

Phil Bates

Doug Chandler

Gary Lancaster

<sup>1</sup>Darren Gilbert

<sup>1</sup>Laonna Davis

<sup>1</sup>Dave White

## **Representing**

Bear River PSAP

Five County PSAP

Dept of Public Safety

Dept of Administrative Services / ITS

Salt Lake County PSAP

Utah County PSAP

Rural DPS

Local Exchange Carrier

## **Committee Members Absent**

Rick Bailey

Brent Ball

Roger Anderson

Chuck McCown

Mike Mathieu

Lance Checketts

Erik Varney

## **Representing**

South East Association

Mountainlands PSAP

Davis County PSAP

Rural Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier

Weber County PSAP

Wireless Communications Carrier

Wireless Communications Carrier

## **Staff Members Present**

Bill Jensen

Sam Saeva

Program Manager

Financial Manager

## **Staff Members Absent**

Tim Cornia

DPS Administrator

## **General Attendees**

Don Wood

Kelly Green

Keith Cunningham

Mike Veenendaal

Dave Sanderson

## **Representing**

Wasatch County

AGRC

Spatial Data Research

VECC

VECC

<sup>1</sup> Committee member who attended via phone bridge

## Meeting Minutes

**Meeting called to order** by Randy Auman at 1320 hours

**Reading of the minutes** of the September 2006 Utah 911 Committee was dispensed.

- After discussion, Phil Bates moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Gary Lancaster and passed the Committee members' vote unanimously.

### **Agenda items**

Bill Jensen reported the MoU has been executed by Utah State Tax Commission (USTC) and Vonage. Jensen reported although Salt Lake City had reduced their surcharge to 61¢ from 65¢, effective July 1, 2006, they have increased it back to 65¢, beginning January 1, 2007, with USTC approval. Thus, Vonage will pay voluntary in-lieu-of-tax amount of 78¢ x total Utah customers per month commencing collection from customers on October 1, with remittance to USTC in December.

Grant Applications were presented on behalf of:

**Valley Emergency Communications Center (VECC)** decided to withdraw their grant application in order to research and provide the Committee additional details on their Phase II program. They will resubmit their grant application in the near future.

**Wasatch County** – Approved; Grant not-to-exceed \$150,000;

- After discussion, Dean Cox moved the Committee approve the Grant. The motion was seconded by Phil Bates and passed the Committee members' vote unanimously.

Sam Saeva presented 9-1-1 Committee financial information showing all grants written from April 2005 through now. He estimated \$8.2 million has been collected by the 13¢ fund; \$6.2 million is obligated to date on already-approved grants for Enhanced 911, Phase I and Phase II grants, including the grant approved today and \$0.3 million expended on staff and administration costs, allowing \$1.7 million available for future approved grants. After discussion, the Committee accepted the October 19, 2006 financial report.

The Committee discussed additional cellular phone coverage needed in the Lake Powell vicinity and Interstate 70 corridor. It was decided Floyd Ritter would direct a subcommittee to study and make recommendations on:

- Number cellular towers needed and cost of construction
- Cellular providers' ability to fund the work
- Economic viability of expanded service in the above-referenced areas

The Committee discussed the possibility of adding voice-over Internet protocol (VOIP) services to existing 9-1-1 surcharge legislation, enabling the State's 9-1-1 PSAPs to collect appropriate amounts from VoIP service providers and users in support of 9-1-1 services statewide.

Bill Jensen provided the latest estimate from Qwest for a 2nd Telecommunications "Tandem" to be located in Cedar City, with all accoutrements necessary, at a cost to the Committee not-to-exceed \$525,000.

### **Adjournment**

Dean Cox moved the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Phil Bates and passed the Committee members' vote unanimously. Randy Auman adjourned the 9-1-1 Committee's October 19, 2006 meeting at 1425 local time.

The next regular meeting will be at Rampton Complex, Large Conference Room, Taylorsville, Utah, on November 16, 2006 at 1300, local time.