

Region 43 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee

Monthly Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2020

Online GoTo Meeting Only

<http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/partners/region43/700MHz.htm>

Chair: Tim McDowell

Vice Chair: Spencer Bahner

Attendees:

In Person: None

On the Phone: Tim McDowell (WSDOT), Paul Roos (Stantec), Debra Davis (Port of Seattle), Mike Norin (ADCOMM), Tony Minor (King County), Brian Good (King County Metro), Robert Connal (WaTech), Sean Douglas (PSERN), Spencer Bahner (City of Seattle), Jose Zuniga (WSDOC)

Agenda Items:

1. Introductions, including those calling in
2. Agenda Modifications
3. Meeting Minute Review and Approval
4. Applications
5. Good of the Order
6. Next Meeting
7. Adjourn

Call to Order/Introductions:

- Meeting called to order at 10:06AM
- Introductions were conducted on the phone. Attendees noted above.

Review of Agenda:

- No modifications proposed

Meeting Minutes Review and Approval:

- September meeting minutes reviewed in the meeting.

Motion: Spencer motioned to approve meeting minutes as reviewed.

Second: Debra

Discussion: none

Vote: Approved Unanimously

Applications:

- No applications for this month.

- An application has been received from Oregon for next month. This will be reviewed remotely without the need for a meeting if it is a concurrence only. If application for site in WA, then a meeting will be scheduled with applicant to review.
- May be another application coming from Port of Seattle

NRPC

- CAPRAD – were not able to attend this latest training session.
- Region 43 considering if CAPRAD should be the official process for submitting applications
- Concerns with the process of submitting a complete application and having it sent to FCC that may not otherwise be ready upon R43 approval.
- DOT having issues getting updated approval letters from R12 and R32 manually. Submitting via CAPRAD will force them to approve the application.

FCC 4.9

- SAW asked SIEC for recommendations on 4.9 GHz spectrum management
- Questions regarding meeting the FCC requirements in WA state where it may not be acceptable to lease to a commercial entity. Robert sent letter asking if this is possible. Have not heard back yet.
- There are other cases where the state leases to commercial entities and the fees go to the general fund or other similar funds.
- Public safety should have priority on these channels
- State is the largest user in the region. DOT may be interested in being the manager of the state spectrum, however this will need to be determined by the SIEC.
- SIEC has the state-owned spectrum per RCW, so they are the ultimate authority on the management of the spectrum.
- Not necessarily required to lease to commercial entities.
- Lots of questions from multiple agencies requesting more information about this situation.
- Does R43 wish to create a subcommittee?
 - Not at this time.

Good of the Order

1. WSDOT needs updated approval letter. Existing letter will be updated with a new date. No need for further review.

Next Meeting

- Likely January. To be determined based on holiday schedule the next two months
- via GoTo meeting only
- Instructions at region43.org

Adjournment

Motion: Spencer Bahner

Second: Jose

Discussion: None

Vote: Approved Unanimously.

- Adjourned at 11:14am