

Region 43 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee

Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2022

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), Debra Davis (Port of Seattle), Mike Norin (ADCOMM), Spencer Bahner (City of Seattle), Howard Tucker (Sno911)

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 10:09AM
- Introductions were conducted on the phone. Attendees noted above.

Review of Agenda:

- No modifications proposed

Previous Meeting Minutes Review and Approval:

- June 2021 meeting minutes presented and reviewed by the group.

Motion: Tony motioned to approve as modified in the meeting

Second: Spencer

Discussion: None

Vote: Approved

Applications:

- None

Subcommittee/Reports

1. NRPC Update (refer to meeting presentation slides for discussion points):

- FCC 4.9 GHz Update

- o Does anybody else use this besides WSDOT and City of Seattle?
- o Tony to reach out to King County Metro to see if they have licenses and are using them
- o WSDOT to update their licenses
- o Lots of agencies have applied for new licenses which may or may not be used
- o City of Seattle has approximately 40 hops licensed
- o All Spectrum below 10 GHz is of interest to commercial wireless service providers
- o Looking at national authority to manage the spectrum (state management is removed in rule making).
- o Concerned that this would take a long time and will be complicated. Likely to go to auction.
- o If we get the licenses updated, including the point-to-point uses to show the FCC that it is being utilized.
- o ASHTO - 5.9 GHz for connected vehicle communications and are considering looking at 4.9 GHz.
- o Notification to be sent out via Yammer regarding the FCC guidelines and recommendations for getting licenses setup. Also, Spencer and Tim M to review with Chair of SIEC (Tim Kehoe) to see if they can send out notifications as well.
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- County Allotments

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- CAPRAD

Good of the Order

1. City of Seattle ordering an ASR site from Motorola. License request will be coming into the committee in the future.
2. 8CALL update for PSERN/Sno911-
 - o PSERN and Sno911 leadership met and agreed to work together on a solution
 - o 8CALL cannot be setup until design is done.
 - o Sno911 will keep existing licenses and replace what they have today
 - o Need to make sure that the repeaters are kept in the “repeater disabled” mode
3. Working with Motorola on the licensing
 - o In discussions with Motorola regarding design changes
 - o Will need to come back to R43 with changes/updates

4. Issues with procurement due to global supply chain management
- o Multiple agencies are reporting issues getting equipment including accessories
 - o Vendors are stating that if you don't order now, then you may not get them next year
 - o Check with vendors to see if it is shipped via ocean or air.

Next Meeting

- November 24, 2021.
- Teleconference meeting only
- Instructions at region43.org

Adjournment

- Adjourned at 11:06
- Motion: Spencer
- Second: Deb
- Discussion: None
- Vote: Approved, motion carried no objections

