# Minnesota Regional Radio Board Meeting

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June 23, 2011; 10:00 a.m.

<b>Board:</b> ( $\boxtimes$ = present; $\square$ = not present)	
<ul> <li>Mark Wedel/Aitkin</li> <li>Marvin Bodie/Carlton</li> <li>Jim Dowson/Cass</li> <li>Sue Hakes/Cook</li> <li>Paul Thiede/Crow Wing</li> <li>Davin Tinquist/Itasca</li> <li>Kevin Troupe/Kanabec</li> <li>Robert Ecklund/Koochiching</li> <li>Thomas Clifford/Lake</li> <li>Steve Hallan/Pine</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Peg Sweeney/St. Louis</li> <li>☐ Jay Fosle/Duluth</li> <li>☐ Tim Harkonen/Hibbing</li> <li>☐ Jerry Jensen/International Falls</li> <li>☐ Larry Cuffe/Virginia</li> <li>✓ Scott Camps/NE RAC</li> <li>☐ Mark Stansberry/User Committee</li> <li>✓ Steve Olson/O&amp;O Committee</li> </ul>
Alternates: $(\boxtimes = present; \square = not present)$	
<ul> <li>Scott Turner/Aitkin County</li> <li>Brian Belich/Carlton County</li> <li>Dick Downham/Cass County</li> <li>Mark Falk/Cook County</li> <li>Doug Houge/Crow Wing County</li> <li>Vic Williams/Itasca County</li> <li>Steve Schulz/Kanabec County</li> <li>Brian McBride/Koochiching County)</li> <li>Rich Sve/Lake County</li> </ul>	☐ Curt Rossow/Pine County ☐ Keith Nelson/St. Louis County ☐ John Strongitharm/City of Duluth ☐ Rick Cannata/City of Hibbing ☐ Tim McBride/City of Int. Falls ☐ (No Alternate/City of Virginia) ☐ Steve Van Kekerix/RAC ☐ Kerry Swenson/User Committee ☐ Scott Heide/O&O Committee
Guest Speakers: Tom Hannon	
1) CALL TO ORDER (Chairman Dowson)	

2) ROLL CALL

# 3) APPROVE THE AGENDA

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Sweeney to approve the agenda. Second; Commissioner Hallan. Upon a vote, the motion carries

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dowson at approximately 10:02 a.m.

## 4) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Minutes approved as presented by Commissioner Dowson

#### 5) REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTES

- a) RAC report (Scott Camps)
- b) User/Owners and Operators Committee Report (Steve Olson)
  - i) Requested owners to ask their respective agencies of interest in a regional logger; should have report on these results at next meeting
  - ii) Need to know what joint powers are involved as to keep track of a quorum on the owners committee; are there any tribes that are officially part of the agreement? The joint powers consists of the 11 counties; 4 cities; no tribes
  - iii) Owners and Users are looking at a standard that will enable a talk group between PSAPS; would be used for the weather alert system coming from the national weather service
  - iv) Completed end-user training with the Two Harbors Fire Department; should be turning on Lake County Fire, EMS main on today's date

#### 6) UPDATES FROM MEMBERS

- a) Grant update (Scott Camps)
  - i) Waiting for a number of executed contracts for the 2010 grants from the state; hope to have them before the state shuts down
  - ii) A meeting is scheduled with the county attorney to discuss MOUs with agencies that St. Louis is receiving funding from
  - iii) 2011 Homeland Security Grants; the communications project was cut by 50%; SRB will have to act on this to determine allocation
  - iv) 2011 Interop Emergency Communications grant program was not funded at all by the feds

## 7) SPECIAL REPORTS

a) No report

#### 8) OLD BUSINESS

a) No report

#### 9) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Standard 1.11.4 (Steve Olson)
  - i) Approved by Owners & Users; as well as the RAC
  - ii) Language is a little different than the state; it allows a trained, relocated user from another agency to forgo the training required per regional standards

**MOTION** made by Steve Olson to approve Standard 1.11.4 as presented. Second; John Strongitharm. Upon a vote, the motion carries

- b) ARMER Integration Grant Contract (Scott Camps)
  - i) State did an amended contract for the additional funding that came out of their budget
  - ii) It is necessary to accept grant funding (not contracts or MOUs at this point) so that the State can get the funding allocated to the regions and off of their books by June 30, 2011; contract can be executed at a later date

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Sweeney to accept the grant funds; Second; Commissioner Thiede. Upon a vote, the motion carries

- c) PSIC STR Maintenance Cost Grant (Scott Camps)
  - i) Grant is in the amount of \$12,500 to help offset the cost of hosting the STR for a 5 year period

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Bodie to accept the maintenance grant. Second; by Commissioner Hallan. Upon a vote, the motion carries

- d) Updates from the RIC (Tom Hannon)
  - i) What happens in the event of state government shutdown
    - (1) RIC will not be available
    - (2) Tom Hannon will be available for support of government structure of the boards
    - (3) DOT and EOC will be available to support the existing ARMER infrastructure; it will be kept functional and fully supported
  - ii) Will the current tower construction come to a halt?
    - (1) It appears that construction will stop because there will be no one to do inspections.

# 10) OTHER BUSINESS

a) No report

## 11) ADJOURN

**MOTION** made by Commissioner Thiede to adjourn at 10:31 am. Second; Commissioner Hallan. Upon a vote, the motion carries