

# SW Radio COG Meeting

10/10/2024 at 1030 hrs – SWEDC

## Radio COG Minutes:

- Meeting to order at 1032 hrs
- Posting to all communities as well as SWRCN and Strongsville website
- Berea, Brookpark, Middleburg Heights, North Royalton, Olmsted Falls, Olmsted Twp, Parma Heights, Strongsville
- Motion to accept the minutes of the March 26, 2024 meeting
  - Motion by Strongsville, Berea 2nd, Unanimous
- Finance: Healy
  - Invoices sent out. Please review, Radio count questions please forward to P Johnson
  - \$301k in the bank
  - Auditor updates forth coming
    - Auditor reports sent to the Mayors
  - Thank you for getting fraud risk assessment questionnaires completed and returned
  - Motion to approve financial report
    - Motion by Strongsville, North Royalton 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimous
- Johnson:
  - North Royalton Tower Site discussion:
    - Quotes from Motorola for needed upgrades
    - Meeting held to review quote by Chiefs Chegan, Draves, AC Johnson
    - Bedford: Important to have backups especially of recent CLE failures
      - CLE understanding of COG needs are limited, Maintenance problems
      - Failsoft mode wasn't even a possibility due to CLE issues
    - \$89,485 is total repairs and upgrades
    - Chegan: clean top part of the tower and raise equipment up 25 ft. Will also improve the NPSPAC channels
    - Before the end of the year would be expectation for upgrades and repairs
    - Jameson: Letters have been sent to CLE, meetings have been scheduled and cancelled. Have been in contact with Nicole Carlton (PS Director).
    - Bedford: Whole reason for agreement with CLE is so that they could use the limited resources and radio channels.
    - NR Tower Site – Want to protect COG, will work with NR and Councils. COG legal will meet with Mr. Kelly to draft agreements.

- Motion to approve up to \$100k to invest in NR Tower Site
  - Motion by Olmsted Twp, Parma Heights 2nd
    - Berea, Brook Park, Middleburg, Olmsted Falls, Olmsted Twp, Parma Heights, Strongsville YES Votes
    - NR Abstain from vote
- Johnson: No date for radio delivery, tentative ship date Oct 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Delivery in bulk to SWEDC, 17 pallets of equipment
  - Expected to take 3-4 weeks to program
  - Unknown if contract calls for a drop-dead date for delivery
  - Chris will work on a train the trainer program
  - Service Contracts for 2024 will most likely go thru whole 4<sup>th</sup> quarter
  - New radios have a 7-year warranty
  - \$78k current maintenance agreement
  - COG delayed billing to see when delivery of radios would be fulfilled
  - Hand-me-down radios for Service Dept.
    - \$4.96 per radio to keep them on the system
    - If radios are being disposed of please contact Johnson to wipe programming
    - Inside radios is encryption that must be removed
- Advisory Committee
  - Meeting tomorrow
- New Business:
  - Vehicle repeaters:
    - Frequency in repeaters were on the State of Ohio License. State needed to use those frequencies and pulled back the agreement.
    - Johnson looking for new frequencies. FCC doesn't charge governments but the frequency coordinator (ABCO) charges.
    - Asking for 6 frequencies, may cost \$1000
    - Motion to allow for \$1000 for new repeater frequencies
      - Strongsville, Olmsted Twp 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimous
- Motion to adjourn at 1102 hrs
  - Olmsted Falls, North Royalton 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimous
- March 13, 2025 at 1030 hrs is next tentative meeting
- Meeting complete at 1102 hrs