

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS TASK FORCE

Regular Meeting No. 14 – Meeting Minutes

December 19, 2023

Via Microsoft Teams

1:05 PM - Call to Order

Co-Chair Neal brought the meeting to order and conducted roll call for Task Force members. She reminded the attendees that the meeting was being recorded.

The following were in attendance:

Task Force Members Present

Barbara Neal, E911 Director, Co-Chair
Jennifer Morrison, Public Safety Commissioner, Co-Chair
James ‘Jim’ Mack, Shelburne Dispatch
Ron Kumetz, VSFA
Mike Doenges, Mayor, Rutland City

Task Force Members Absent

Michael Wright, CEO of Calnex Ambulance
Paul White, Regional Dispatch Working Group, Vice-Chair

Others Present

Cally Audet, Task Force Clerk
Richard Townend, Altairis Technology Partners
Jeffrey Burnham, Springfield PD
Phillip Sisk
Jim Morgan, Altairis Technology Partners

Approval of Agenda

No changes.

Approval of Minutes

- 12/11/2023 – Regular Meeting No. 13
- 12/15/2023 – Special Meeting No. 13

Motion: At 1:08 PM, Barb Neal moved that the task force approval all minutes listed on the agenda as written; 2nd by Ron Kumetz. Members expressed their appreciation for work completed by support members; the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Co-Chair Neal opened the floor to public comment, no comments.

New Business

With the calendar year nearing its end, Co-Chair Morrison provided a brief update that the chairs have been in conversation with legislative members regarding ideas on how to best approach accessing the second million of appropriated funds. She reminded the task force of the legislative language stating should the task force need access to more than one million in the first year of the project, they would need to go through the budget adjustment process if the legislature was in session and if they were not in session, it would likely need to be a joint fiscal operation or request.

Co-Chairs stated further updates on the matter would be reported as they receive them.

Executive Session – For the purpose of discussing one or more contracts

With no items to be discussed in executive session, Co-Chair Neal provided a brief update on the current status of contract negotiations as they remain underway. A draft contract is currently with the vendor selected for the project management RFP, and a draft contract for legal services is under development within the Department of Public Safety.

Potential Action(s) as a Result of Executive Session

None.

Set Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

The next meeting was scheduled as a regular meeting for Wednesday, January 3, 2024, at 11:15 AM.

Motion: There being no further business, Jim Mack made a motion to adjourn; 2nd by Ron Kumetz. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cally Audet

Cally Audet, Clerk

12/19/23

Date