

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. by Chairman Ron De Bruyne in the Vilas County Justice Center conference room with the following committee members present: Jim Galloway, Gary Peske, and David Alleman. Ed Bluthardt, John Niebuhr, and Kathleen Rushlow were excused. Also present were Dave Leack and Jeff Nelson of PSC Alliance, Chris Kamps and Martha Milanowski. Proper open meeting notice and quorum present were both verified by the Chair.

Approve the agenda; discuss in any order at the discretion:

Motion by G. Peske, 2nd by J. Galloway to approve the agenda with the order of discussion to be at the discretion of the chair. All voted aye. Carried.

Approval of the previous minutes:

Motion by G. Peske, 2nd by J. Galloway to approve the November 9, 2009 minutes as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

Project budget and financial update:

J. Nelson presented a project budget update. He estimates that the project budget will have sufficient funds for completion, with the exception of the mobile data equipment necessary to outfit all of the squad cars.

Town of Lac du Flambeau tower project update:

J. Nelson presented a job task update sheet, indicating aspects of the project that have been completed, are in progress or need further direction. He foresees project completion by April of May of 2010. G. Peske reported that Sonic Net has expressed interest in co-locating on that tower. The Musky Mt. co-location agreement will also need amending, to allow Vilas equipment to be relocated to that site from the existing Lac du Flambeau tower.

Mobile data project:

G. Peske reported that system configuration was still proceeding. Current projections call for completion of the mobile data infrastructure in April, 2010. Funding for outfitting the squads will be determined in the future.

Arbor Vitae interference issue:

J. Nelson reported that the Arbor Vitae fire paging interference issue stemmed from some of the pagers not adequately receiving the pages broadcast from the more distant Winchester tower site. This should not be an issue as the primary fire paging sites for Arbor Vitae are the Lac du Flambeau and Musky Mt. tower sites. No further complaints have been received.

Thermo Bond contract:

A purchase contract was received from Thermo Bond for delivery of an equipment shelter for the Lac du Flambeau tower site. The contract has been reviewed by the Corporation Counsel. Motion by G. Peske, 2nd by R. De Bruyne to approve the purchase of the shelter building for the Lac du Flambeau tower site from Thermobond. All voted aye. Carried. Delivery is expected in 6 to 12 weeks.

Oneida – Vilas interoperability project:

J. Nelson reported that the County was beginning to receive equipment shipments earmarked for this project. Vilas County paging console updates are taking place. The microwave link between Vilas County and Oneida County has been in operation for over two months. He estimates project completion by April 15, 2010.

Sonic Net issue resolution:

G. Peske reported that service shutdowns at the Weber tower site had been implemented by tower co-locators, in an effort to determine the source of interference to Sonic Net's wireless service. It now appears that the interference is coming from the area of the Eagle River Tower site. Sonic Net would like a brief shut down of the County's Emergency Service communications at that location, to determine if our system may be the source of the continued interference. G. Peske will monitor that situation.

Verizon (formerly Alltel) lease with county Birchwood Dr. location:

M. Milanowski updated the Committee regarding the Verizon tower lease at the Birchwood Drive location. Verizon no longer wishes to provide free cell service to the Highway Department as a component of the lease. They have offered to increase the annual lease payment by \$400.00 per month. The new annual total would be \$7,892.01. G. Peske would like to see the lease cost escalator language simplified. R. De Bruyne would like to see the lease escape clause amended to be more equitable to the County.

J. Nelson recommended additional language that would provide the County with a below market cost for a reserved co-location at that site. Motion by G. Peske, 2nd by R. De Bruyne to approve the lease agreement with Verizon contingent upon Verizon agreeing to the following three stipulations:

1. Amending of the lease agreement to provide for a flat cost escalator. Lease costs will increase by 15% at the beginning of each 5 year renewal period.
2. Amending of the contract language escape clause to provide Vilas County with a more equitable position.
3. Inclusion of contract language to provide Vilas County with reserved co-location rights on the Verizon tower at below commercial market rates.

All voted aye. Carried.

Line item tranfers:

G. Peske presented a line item transfer request form to shift expense funds within the 100.52800 Communication Maintenance 2009 budget. This is necessary to cover certain year end costs. Motion by R. De Bruyne, 2nd by G. Peske to approve the line item transfer request. All voted aye. Carried.

Equipment purchases:

Nothing presented.

Correspondence:

Nothing presented.

Approve Bills and Requisitions:

The following bills were presented by the Clerk for approval:

Tessco Inc.	\$ 55.35
Technology Management	\$ 450.00
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Dell Marketing L.P.	\$ 1,753.86
Northway Communications	\$ 5,514.00
Northway Communications	\$ 5,812.00
PSC Alliance	\$ 7,850.00
Northway Communications	\$ 8,130.60
Motorola	\$ 53,074.68
Spillman Technologies Inc.	\$214,340.00

Motion by G. Peske, 2nd by R. De Bruyne to approve the bills as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

Set Next Meeting Date:

The next meeting was set for 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 4, 2010 in the Justice Center conference room.

Adjournment:

Motion by D. Alleman, 2nd by G. Peske to adjourn. All voting aye. Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 2:14 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted By:
David R. Alleman, Vilas County Clerk