Central MN
Owners & Operators and User Committee Meeting
Douglas County Public Works, Alexandria, MN
January 16, 2020 – 10:00 AM

OWNERS & OPERATORS MEMBERS/ALTERNATES PRESENT:
1. Brandon Larson, Vice Chair & Micah Myers – City of St. Cloud
2. Julie Fraley – Benton County
3. Ace Bonnema – Big Stone County
4. Mike Henrion – Douglas County
5. Jason Wendt – Grant County
6. Ace Bonnema – Kandiyohi County
7. Randy Celander – Meeker County
8. Al Fjerstad – Mille Lacs County
9. Victoria Ingram-MacKissock – Morrison County
10. Jason Karlgaard – Otter Tail County
11. Sheriff Tim Riley – Pope County
12. Kristen Lahr, Chair – Stearns County
13. Dona Greiner – Stevens County
14. Sarah Booker – Todd County
15. Lynn Siegel – Traverse County
16. Billijo Porter – Wilkin County
17. Haley Dubois – Wright County

USERS MEMBERS/ALTERNATES PRESENT:
1. Dean Wrobbel, Tom Zabinski & Steve Williams – City of St. Cloud
2. Julie Fraley – Benton County
3. Ace Bonnema – Big Stone County
4. Mike Henrion & Sadie Witt – Douglas County
5. Tina Lindquist, Vice Chair & Jason Wendt – Grant County
6. Ace Bonnema – Kandiyohi County
7. Randy Celander – Meeker County
8. Al Fjerstad – Mille Lacs County
9. Victoria Ingram-MacKissock – Morrison County
10. Jason Karlgaard & Marco Picchiarini – Otter Tail County
11. Sheriff Tim Riley – Pope County
12. Kristen Lahr – Stearns County
13. Dona Greiner – Stevens County
14. Sarah Booker – Todd County
15. Lynn Siegel – Traverse County
16. Donald Weniger – Wadena County
17. Billijo Porter – Wilkin County
18. Haley Dubois – Wright County

GUESTS:
1. Keith Christianson – CentraCare Health
2. Jon Siegle – Mille Lacs Health System
3. Dan McCoy – Granite Electronics
4. Sara Moulzolf – Granite Electronics

OWNERS & OPERATORS MEMBERS/ALTERNATES ABSENT:
1. Swift County
2. Wadena County

USER MEMBERS/ALTERNATES ABSENT:
1. Swift County

CALL TO ORDER:
Meeting called to order by O&O Chair Kristen Lahr at 10:02 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS:
Introductions were conducted. There was a quorum for both Committees.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
Larson added the extra handout on the extended warranty for our Analyzer under CM Analyzer as item #2 Analyzer Warranty. *Otter Tail County made a motion to approve the amended O&O/Users Agenda. Pope County seconded, motion carried.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Mille Lacs County made a motion to approve the December 19, 2019 O&O/Users minutes. Morrison County seconded, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND INCIDENTS:
a. ECN Program Updates Newsletter (view online)
   There is up-to-date and relevant information in there on each of the programs.
b. RIC Report
   Information about item 'c' and 'd' in the packet.
c. Wireless Broadband User Forum – February 5 (MnDOT St. Cloud)
   Wireless Broadband User Forum for the Central Region will be held on Wednesday, February 5th at the MnDOT facility in St. Cloud. There is a brief agenda included in the packet. If you are thinking about moving to FirstNet, or if you have FirstNet devices within your agency, we encourage you to take advantage of that. There are noted dates for the northern and southern regions if you are not able to make the one in St. Cloud.
d. TUSA Consulting / Motorola SUA – January 29 (CMESB Meeting)
   Lahr reported Tusa Consulting is the consulting firm ECN has partnered with to help with assistance on the negotiations with the next Motorola SUA that would go into effect 2021. They will be at our ESB meeting on January 29th. They have also been scheduling conference calls with infrastructure owners to get some overall questions on how our service agreements work. Myers added do we want to expand our Executive Committee meeting and have Tusa come for any of the system owners? Lahr asked would system owners be interested in meeting with Tusa prior to the ESB meeting as part of the Executive Committee? Otter Tail and Stearns counties have not heard of the conference calls; Myers just got his invite on Monday. Myers stated in a roundabout way we are all system owners. We have done enhancements to the system, either we have added capacity to the MnDOT sites we are paying maintenance on, or we have our console connections. It is not just a tower, if you have infrastructure. Myers is going to send an email to Stromberg looking to expand that window for having them there. We can do it if folks want to show up, or get on the conference bridge. Myers asked if Tusa had reached out to anyone else in the Central? Only Fjerstad replied he has not heard anything from them. Lahr asked if we could just get confirmation and facilitate to all the system owners that they would be either able to call in to that meeting, or attend the Executive Committee.

O&O BUSINESS:
  a. CM Analyzer
     1. Rotation Schedule
     Larson reported it is currently in Douglas County and Pope County is up next. Pope
     County will call Douglas.
     2. Analyzer Warranty
     Larson stated this company, Locus USA, advised us at the time we purchased our last
     extended warranty that was the end of extended warranties on this unit. They were
     going to end of life it. They reached out in the last week offering to extend the
     warranty. Larson also has quotes that go 3 and 5 years, but the $4,900 is the same rate,
     there is no discount with 3 or 5 years. February 27, 2020 is when our current existing
     warranty runs out on the unit. If we do not choose to extend prior to that, Larson's
     experience is trying to put maintenance warranty back on we would have to send it in to
     verify it is a unit that can be warrantied.

     Lahr asked is there budgeted money for maintenance for the analyzer going into the
     next year? Do we have funds available or would we be looking at making a Board
     request to allocate these funds for extended warranty on the analyzer? Myers replied we
     do have in reserve, but Myers would look at what we did in the past where we had a
     contribution from the membership. Myers would ask the group if there is a want?
     Lahr's question is the unit is in use, we are deploying it, we are using the equipment, so
     if we do not have a maintenance agreement on it will they still service it if there is a
     need for repair? Larson's understanding is currently today, as it is under a maintenance
     agreement, we are provided tech support and any repair work that needs to be done.
     Once that runs out, we call and they would be billing us for tech support. Over the last
     two years, there have been a couple of times where our members have had to call in to
     work with them, and one of the times to send it in and get it repaired. Otter Tail County
     asked they keep talking end of life do we have any guarantees they would even be able
     to repair it? Larson has not gotten into that conversation, he is not sure what has
     changed, if their sales tactic of trying to get everyone to upgrade was the goal, or if it
     truly was going end of life. Larson explained when we sent it in and had it repaired they
     upgraded the operating system and everything to a newer version. We did not think that
     was an option. Right now, the company is saying they will continue to maintenance it.
     If it did break and they could not fix it, Larson would leverage to have them send us
     one of the newer ones. Fjerstad asked do we split that $4,900 amongst all the users, or
     do we have that $4,900 in the budget? Myers replied it ends up being about $257 per
     member, or to pull out of reserves we could do that. It is up to the group. Lahr asked is
     it something we could pull out of reserves and add to the budget for the next budgetary
     year? Lahr stated if it is a piece of equipment we are using that we are moving around
     from agency to agency making available to the whole and we are actively using it than
     we should maintain it for its service life. Otter Tail County agreed for $250/year they
     see value in it. Larson's thought is it gives us a buffer time to continue conversation
     about replacement of the analyzer. It is still a functioning unit. Lahr asked for a motion.
     Stevens County motioned to move forward with $4,900 and invoice each county $257.
     Mille Lacs County seconded. Motion carries. Lahr stated we will move that to ESB.

O&O BUSINESS: (Continued)

b. Elections of Officers

1. Chair – nomination: Kristen Lahr
Lahr noted we did not close nominations. We have a nomination for Kristen Lahr for Chair of the Owners & Operators Committee. Are there any further nominations, or is there a motion to close nominations? *Grant County motioned to close. Benton County seconded. Motion carried.* Lahr stated we are currently voting for Chair of the Owners & Operators Committee being Kirsten Lahr. There were no opposing votes.

2. Vice Chair – nomination: Brandon Larson
Lahr stated currently we have a nomination for Brandon Larson for Vice Chair of the Owners & Operators Committee. Are there any additional nominations for Vice Chair? *Grant County motioned to close. Meeker County seconded. Motion carried.* Lahr stated moving on to voting all those in favor of Brandon Larson as Vice Chair for Owners & Operators Committee. There were no opposing votes.

JOINT BUSINESS:

a. Standards Review
Lahr reported the statewide SECB participation plan standard is going back to the standards review committee. If anyone has suggestions make sure you call into that conference call.

b. NG911 Grant – update
Myers would have an update as of the Finance Committee last Thursday, but what was said on the NG911 Committee, Myers is not going to give an update until we get the writing that is supposed to come from ECN, because once again, one of the concerns we put in our letter was miscommunication. There was a lot of miscommunication on that call yesterday.

c. Annual COMU Report – due February 18
Larson reported this is the second year for the COMU report. COMU Standard Operating Guidelines requires each region to report COMU activity annually to the SWIC. SWIC will report it to the Interop Committee that oversees the COMU Workgroup. Larson has emailed directly to the COMU personnel a link for the online web form to complete. Larson will push it out on the list serve as well.

d. CAG (Conference Advisory Group) Regional Point of Contact
Lahr reported the Conference Advisory Group is looking for a single point of contact for each region for the Public Safety Communications Conference held in St. Paul this year April 14-17th. The 14th would be the pre-conference training day; 15-17th are the actual conference days. Lahr asked if we have had any interest by anyone? Fjerstad noted Larson and he are on that and stated he can be that point of contact if that is okay with the group.

USER BUSINESS:

a. Local Communications/Training Discussion: Pope County
Sheriff Riley reported December 26th dispatch had been getting key ups on radios. Douglas County had a couple of key ups and somebody spoke. Grant had a key up, Pope had a couple key ups on different talkgroups. Riley ran to the office and found a piece of paper with radio IDs. It was a fire radio, so Riley called the chief. Chief called back and said somebody has broken into the fire hall and we are missing 6 radios. Riley called West Central Communications who was going to brick all those radios. Sunday night Riley called Myers who got Larson on the phone. They did a dynamic regroup and pushed everything to BP6, so we could potentially get some more voice recordings on one of our interops.

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a. Local Communications/Training Discussion: Pope County (Continued)

Lahr explained she happened to go in with Larson when he did that initial regroup on Sunday. Larson used Lahr's office to login, he did not have access to regroup Pope's range of radio IDs. Lahr initially set-up the Pope County radio IDs, so we sent the commands under Lahr's provisioning manager. On Monday/Tuesday, Lahr looked at the regroup and three of them had accepted the commands to un-inhibit them first and regroup to Pope 6 talkgroup. Pope had mentioned they had more transmissions, but not on that Pope 6 talkgroup. Pope had some transmissions on Pope Law by a radio ID in that group. Which we thought was odd because we did send that regroup command to lock it onto Pope 6. The caveat being these were six Kenwood radios. Motorola does not guarantee the success of all the different commands when it is sent to a non-Motorola radio. Fjerstad explained there are check boxes for dynamic regroup and for inhibit. If those boxes do not get checked, then that radio will not accept the command. Lahr noted when we reverted the inhibit command it turned the radio on again, but it was not able to regroup it. This week we ended up just inhibiting all the radios, because you were not sure if you were going to get anymore. Riley explained later Sunday night we had one radio that keyed up on roam. Larson called on Monday morning and shut them all down. It has been three weeks, they did not take any chargers. Somehow the battery life was lasting. They stayed on the northwest part of our county based on towers.

Larson stated one thing Lahr brought up at SMG meetings a year ago that we ran into in this situation is Pope County gave the Regional Coordinator access to your radios. Larson can make IDs, shut down IDs, etc. Larson could not set regroup commands, because in Provisioning Manager you have to set a 'primary talkgroup.' It does not matter what that primary talkgroup is, but if it does not have a primary talkgroup listed, or it is one you did not give Larson access to, then Larson cannot send commands to your radios. Larson explained, with your fleet of radios, there are a bunch of them that do not have a talkgroup listed so you could not control them, and there are a handful of other talkgroups assigned to different ones. Something for everyone to think about if you have Provisioning Manager access take a look and see what that primary talkgroup is, especially if you have someone who is a back-up admin. Make sure they have access to that, or reassign what that primary talkgroup is.

Lindquist asked is there pros and cons either way? Lahr replied if you have any kind of desire to figure out where that radio might be located, regrouping is the way to go. Once you inhibit it, it is not going to be on the system. You are not going to be able to see if the radio is attempting to be turned on/off. Or, is it just lying in a ditch somewhere because somebody lost it? You might make a determination on what kind of a radio got stolen. Is it a SWAT radio that has every encrypted statewide talkgroup in it? Your main concern is just making sure that radio does not affiliate to the system and is not being used.

Lindquist asked should that first call really be to the Regional Coordinator? Larson replied whomever that agency uses as their system admin to get access to Provisioning Manager to send those commands, at the very least that vendor can just send the inhibit command and just brick it. Larson noted the whole region has not given Larson access to their radios. Letting people know and correspondence to all the vendors, because if the vendor has someone bringing a 'broken' radio and that it is inhibited there are a lot of questions right there. Larson added the other important piece is the ability to inhibit, or brick a radio, is in the programming on that radio. Communicate with your programmer to make sure they are checking the box to allow it to be inhibited. If someone misses that checkbox then we will not be able to send a command like that. Fjerstad added that is not a default setting. It is unchecked until you check it. Myers asked if that was not checked what is your next action? Remove the ID from the system? The answer was yes.

USER BUSINESS: (Continued)
  a. <u>Local Communications/Training Discussion: Pope County (Continued)</u>
      Lindquist noted it is worth a conversation with local fire departments, ambulance services that a local department had stolen communications equipment. Are you locking your fire hall, who has access to your buildings? Larson replied there have articles recently across the nation different public safety radios being stolen, or radio IDs being taken, and put into their own radios. Research the laws in your state to figure out how you are going to prosecute those aside from just stolen equipment. If you are able to prosecute on a statute or interfering with public safety communications. Lindquist noted Stearns County is next.

  b. <u>CM Training Plan</u>
      1. RFP Discussion
         Lahr noted the region will need to go out for RFP for a vendor to provide the list of trainings for 2020 since On Target Training and Consulting has a new ownership. Lahr updated an RFP for training that is in the packet. Lahr highlighted areas of the RFP that we need to review. Lahr would like to determine if electronic copies submissions are submitted who that should go to. In the past that has been Myers. Myers replied we could set-up an internal distribution email and we can even use that on the website as well too.

         Lahr noted the top couple sections are standard. Statement of need that we are looking for proposals for training providers to provide training to the members of public safety in the Central MN Region and instructions on how to submit a bid. Lahr did look at another training RFP and thought it looked easy to replicate. There is a Section II for a cover page of the RFP proposal and then Section III qualifications/proposal components.

         Lahr explained we are looking for a detailed syllabus for each class, a list of all instructors including biographies (we need that for grant reimbursement purposes) and electronic copies of class information (because those are provided to attendees as well). The Region would take care of providing locations, dates, coordinating logistics, and providing online registration. The minimum requirements and insurance requirements are all taken from our last RFP. We are listing the requested courses of instruction. This was decided last year when we were going through what training we were looking to provide this year (ARMER Dispatcher, Radio Train the Trainer). There has been discussions at some of the trainings that the initial training could potentially be provided in a single day, or a 2-day course depending on how the trainers are able to provide that initial ARMER Train the Trainer. We can accept proposals both ways on that. And Refresher ARMER Radio Trainer and ARMER System Administrator. Those are the courses we are requesting. Lahr had highlighted the desired length of course. Whether, or not, we had any strong opinions on whether initial ARMER Radio Trainer could be provided in an 8-hour training course. And the ARMER System Admin, whether that would be a 2-day course or a 3-day course. We expanded it to 3 days at one point, it was initially a 2-day course.

         In Section II, proposal cover page essentially provides information about the applicant of the RFP. In Section III, qualifications/proposal components are the required components of each of the RFPs that need to be submitted. Lahr had a question for the group on item 'D' training content. Lahr added a line, "*The CM ESB will accept submissions that do not support all requested courses, however; preference will be given to submissions that provide training for the full list.*" Lahr was not sure if we should limit submissions to training providers that have the ability to provide training for all of the courses we are requesting, or if it would matter whether, or not, we have Provider A do the system admin training and Provider B do the radio trainer and the dispatcher training. Lindquist responded we might be limiting ourselves if we only accept ones that can offer all.

USER BUSINESS: (Continued)
   b. <u>CM Training Plan (Continued)</u>
      1. RFP Discussion (Continued)

Lahr asked are we allowed to accept two proposals? Myers replied you have define it in the RFP; if you list it in the RFP the way you have it you would have to take it as a sum. Whereas, you could say we would consider individual training. You would have to call that out on the RFP. We have done other trainings outside of the RFP. We are looking at this as a whole and this becomes recurring. If you are interested in doing that just note it in that we will consider it, but if you do it as a whole then they are going to have to submit as a whole. Lahr noted if we change that last line in item D to state, "*The CM ESB will consider submissions that do not support all requested courses*" and just end it there?

Lahr asked does anyone see any potential issues with the RFP as provided or can we have legal look at it? Myers will submit this up to our legal team and have them see if there is anything else that we are missing. They are not going to look at it on the technical side, they are going to look from the legalese. Myers stated we can present to the Board from this group saying we want to put this out so we can get legal authority. Once legal signs off if you guys are comfortable with what you have, then we do not have to bring it back to this group and delay it getting out. Lahr asked is the group comfortable with the general proposal as it is written? We would be looking for a motion to approve this RFP and move it to the Board for final approval. *Lindquist from Grant County makes that motion. Morrison County seconded.* Larson inquired about #4 System Administrator. In the past there was coverage of GENESIS tool. Is that something to be added? Lahr thinks that is what was added to make it that 3rd day for the last time this was offered. Larson thinks it was provided because the Central Region has the tool and brought it into the class and the vendor taught to it. Lahr replied it is not a requirement of ARMER system administrator. Larson stated if it is something that we want our Central Region to require it of the vendor then we should include it. Myers asked are we excluding a vendor because they do not have it? Are these the base we are looking to achieve in the class and anything that is above we could negotiate? Once we select a vendor we can negotiate that into the contract. Lahr does not think we should list it in here because it is not the base of ARMER System Administrator and it is not necessarily a Motorola tool. Lindquist called for a motion and asked for further discussion. *Wendt from Grant County motioned. Morrison County still seconded. Motion carried.*

      2. Training Dates/Location for 2020

Lahr stated we are looking for general times of the year that we would like to hold these and if any of the agencies are willing to be a host for any of these trainings. Final logistics and dates would need to be planned once we have a training provider selected. ARMER Dispatcher training we generally hold at Alex Tech. Larson noted St. Cloud can be a location to host for whatever. Lahr also earmarked Stearns County for System Admin training, because we have a facility and an admin client that can easily be moved into the training room. Wendt from Grant County was thinking for the Refresher. Otter Tail can be a host as well. Lahr noted ARMER dispatcher historically we have done 1st quarter; that might be an impossibility for this year. Lahr requested to look at 3rd/4th quarter for all trainings, then we could wait until we have a provider awarded. Myers suggested to have some dates so once we select a vendor we can move quickly to lock those dates down because of meeting space. Grant County suggested September-December. Myers cautioned not to get too late in December for grant submitting. Lindquist stated looking at the first week of December for Train the Trainer at Otter Tail. If Grant County hosts the Refresher we could shoot for October. Lindquist asked for Dispatcher at Alex Tech to shoot for September. ARMER System Admin in Stearns County sometime in May/June.

USER BUSINESS: (Continued)

   c. Election of Officers

       1. Chair – nomination: Paul McIntyre
Lindquist stated last month the discussion did close for the Chair and Vice Chair nominations. Chair nomination is Paul McIntyre. Lahr stated they did close nominations for Chair and Vice Chair at the last meeting, so you can just call a vote for Paul McIntyre. *Lindquist called a vote for all those in favor of Paul McIntyre being the Chair of the regional Users Committee. Motion carried.*

       2. Vice-chair nomination: Jim Hughes
Lindquist called a vote for all those in favor for Jim Hughes as the Vice Chair. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

CMESB:

Emergency Services Board (ESB)

Lahr reported the next meeting is January 29th. Tusa Consulting will be there. We are looking to have them prior to ESB at the Executive Committee for additional discussion. Myers added they are electing officers. Lahr stated we will get that request for additional analyzer service agreement and this RFP added to the agenda from our businesses.

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC)

Myers reported we will be doing our annual election of officers at our February meeting.

Next Generation 911 Committee (NG911)

Karlgaard reported for the regional NG911 most of the meeting was election of officers. Jason Karlgaard was elected Chair and Jason Wendt from Grant County was elected Vice Chair. The statewide call was lengthy. There was discussion on the Alex Tech training website. Since we are required to have password refreshes, there is another solution they can come up with where they will not need to have changing passwords. They are looking at moving to that possibly by February. Discussion on TCPR legislation, if you want to be involved with helping on that contact Cathy Anderson. Fjerstad added Dar from Washington County was adamant about wanting everybody to be on the same page. She kind of got left out of the initial conversations or what ECN was doing. She feels others in the state do not understand the options they have. Myers stated the legislation passed; it is more along the training and developing a standard on it. In the budget for ECN there is $188,000 in the allocations for training. It is developing a standard and getting out a policy or some guidance to the PSAPs. Karlgaard noted they did say MESB approved the training modules. Larson noted there was a lot of conversation on the responsibility of making sure all these centers are getting their staff up to the training level they need to be. Karlgaard added and some discussion about ECN providing those trainings. Larson noted Dana Wahlberg specified ECN statutorily required to make sure the training is offered. Fjerstad added North and the Health East change is going to affect some folks that currently have North as their providers for ambulance. Fairview is taking over more of their response area they currently had and gave up to other people.

Emergency Management Advisory Committee (EMAC)

Siegel reported we did our interviews for our contractor on Monday. We have our EMAC meeting next week so we will discuss those. Siegel will be getting information to the Board so we can get approval. Our grants are done. We are waiting on the last training for the ID printer things. Possibly getting an extension on the ASHER training, because there are two spots we really want to hit. State is willing to extend that out because they had to do that in a couple of other regions.

CMESB: (Continued)
Regional Logger Committee:
Larson reported we did not meet. But we have conducted phase two the second half of the logger upgrade. Northland held a couple of webinar trainings for members and their users. All those trainings are recorded and we have a link on our website under training to be able to access Northland's database. There has been discussion about Washington County joining the logger, but it has not gone through governance. There are discussions that anyone else joining will have to go through governance through the committee. Fjerstad discussed Northland is having issues with the v15.1 or 2. There are errors popping up that have to do with audio, being able to play both phone and radio back. Karlgaard stated what Northland had told him is he cannot play back any radio traffic on the v15 server, but you can do it on v5. Karlgaard is getting a radio kodak error. They were working on it with Verint, because they were told that radio kodak was going to have to be installed on the server, but not any of the work stations to access it. They are finding out that might not be the case and they might still need radio kodak installed on any machine wanting to play back that audio. Larson noted previously that kodak was installed on all of your client machines.

Grant Updates/Current Regional Requests
Lahr reported our current list of potential grant requests is in the packet. Myers noted there are some additions. Myers did not give the full update on the NG911 Grant. Myers would tell you until you actually see a grant agreement it is not moving forward. Your work, do not do anything because the probability of getting reimbursed for that work is zero. We did add a couple of items to the list under Mille Lacs County: BDA for Mille Lacs Health Systems and ASR site in Princeton. For this current round of the SHSP grant, there is only $50,000 that all 7 regions are competing for equipment. A lot of these we will bring back to the SECB grant that will be in June. The question that is going around that we still need to address, we provided the hierarchy for the grants. GIS will get removed on these grants, because we have the NG911 Grant. If there is infrastructure you need that you do not see on the hierarchy let us know. We are on a holding pattern until ECN staffs up and gets a chance to go through the applications.

REPORTS:
SECB/ARMER:
Land Mobile Radio Committee
Met on Tuesday. Dave Klema gave an update on the cyber security workgroup and version control workgroup. They did not meet in December/January. People have been working on a couple of the items from those groups offline. Cook County had an outdoor BDA to improve coverage along highway 61 that was approved. Clay County had a plan amendment for additional 130 radio IDs to get them in compliance with what they currently have on the system and give them some room for growth. Hubbard County had a plan amendment to modify their existing T1 transport between their PSAP and a site. Gold Cross/Mayo Clinic Medical Transport had a plan amendment. First part of that was just a formalize name change to Mayo Clinic Ambulance Service. And to add an MCC7500E laptop version to their dispatch center. They also had an additional plan amendment to increase their talkgroup count from 41 to 45 that was approved. At the November SMG meeting, we discussed an offered solution by Motorola in regards to that inter-zone patching issue. They came back with an option that could be added to the system where a feature could be turned on/off that would give us that talk inhibit tone if there is transmission on both of the patched talkgroups. The group that discussed it at SMG looked like it would be something we would be in favor of in Minnesota, but to have that added to the system it does need to go through governance, LMR Committee and be approved by the SECB. Stromberg mentioned he has been talking to Motorola and they are hoping to have them at the next LMR Committee in February to discuss that option.

REPORTS: (Continued)
SECB/ARMER: (Continued)
<u>Interoperability Committee</u>
Meet on Tuesday.
    a. STR Workgroup
        Meeting first week of February.
    b. COMU Workgroup
        No update.
    c. EMS/Hospital Workgroup
        No update.

<u>Wireless Broadband and Applications Committee</u>
Larson reported the workgroup has been working on last meeting we discussed some draft report that is destined for SECB regarding the workgroups and work product. We talked about the upcoming wireless broadband user forum. With the SLIGP 2.0, Televate has been contracted, one of their tasks is the Wireless Broadband survey. It is a question for any agency; not just if you have FirstNet. There are questions delving into just generic wireless broadband use and questions about if your agency provides a work cellphone, etc.

<u>Steering Committee</u>
Did not meet in January.

NEXT MEETING:
The next O&O/Users meeting will be February 20, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Douglas County Public Works.

ADJORNMENT:
O&O Chair Lahr made the executive motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was carried unanimously at 11:31 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Shari Gieseke.