

# Town Wide Radio System Committee

## Sunday January 22, 2017

### 8:30 AM

### Draft Minutes

Committee Members Present: Craig Mansfield, Bob Bennet, Joe Szezech, Ray Swol, Emmett Lyman, Bruce Dutch, Kevin Cavallo (9:25)

Meeting called to order at 8:40 by Chairman Craig Mansfield

1. Approval of minutes from November 3, 2016

A motion to approve the minutes, as amended, was made by Bob Bennet and seconded by Bruce Dutch. A unanimous vote to approve followed.

2. Mt Parnassus Project Update

Craig reported that we have seen more progress in the last two months than had been expected. He went on to note that our cabinet had been set up for only two frequencies instead of four. In December the FCC notified us that the uninstalled two frequencies were being canceled. George resubmitted and we still have them. David will install two additional repeaters, with power, to protect those frequencies

A motion to approve not more than \$8,000 to add the two frequencies was made by Ray Swol and seconded by Craig Mansfield. A unanimous vote to approve followed.

We have reviewed our contract with the State Police for the Mt Parnassus tower. Everyone is in agreement. Our lawyer has approved and any remaining questions will be worked out.

3. Frequency filing update

Some confusion exists about how many UHF channels we have, four or five.

445.9875	DMR
452.525	East Haddam
452.5625	East Haddam
453.4	Separate East Haddam
453.5	East Haddam

David should have this resolved by our next meeting.

The state has agreed to install our equipment provided that it is on site when they do theirs.

5. Bills:

An invoice for \$150.00 from RMF Consulting was presented. Ray Swol made a motion to pay the bill, seconded by Bob Bennet. A unanimous vote to approve followed.

It was decided that we would stay with Tactical for future equipment and service.

6. Other site discussion

Buckley hill remains an easy option and while QV is not building it large enough for us it would not be expensive to add what we need. George needs to plan for this.

The Haddam towers being proposed by Highland Towers remain an option, we need to talk to them.

It is time to talk about the Middle School site, is it doable? It is important to our system.

The Ed Williams site could prove to be expensive, we need to seek alternatives.

A motion to approve \$1600 for George to plan Buckley Hill was made by Ray Swol seconded by Joe Szezech. A unanimous vote to approve followed.

7. Other Business

Ray Swol asked when we might start to use the system. It was indicated that once the Buckley Hill and the Mt Parnassus towers were finished partial coverage might be possible.

8. Adjournment:

At 9:36 Motion to Adjournment by Bruce Dutch, seconded by Ray Swol.

