

Utah Communications Authority Regional Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
 Meeting of August 30, 2018

A meeting of the Utah Communications Authority (UCA) Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) was held on Thursday, August 30, 2018 in the offices of the Wasatch Front Regional Council, 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Welcome and Introductions [Recording 00:00]

Mr. Karl Kuehn, UCA RAC Vice-Chair, chaired the meeting on behalf of Chief Mike Mathieu. He called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. Mr. Kuehn welcomed committee members and guests, and introductions were made. The following were in attendance.

UCA Members

IN ATTENDANCE	
	Sheriff Blaine Breshears, Morgan County Sheriff's Office
	Chief Mike Brown, Salt Lake City Police Department
x	Captain Jon Fassett, Unified Police Department
x	Karl Kuehn, Layton Police Department (Vice-Chair)
	Chief Mike Mathieu, Ogden Fire Department (Chair)
x	Lieutenant Regina Nelson, Tooele County Sheriff's Office
x	Paul Pitts, Layton City
	Sergeant Ryan Shosted, Cottonwood Heights Police Department
x	Jon Tait, Motorola
x	Bucky Whitehouse, Tooele County Emergency Services
	Wayne Bennion, Wasatch Front Regional Council
x	Katie Gerard, Wasatch Front Regional Council
Non-Members	
x	Gordy Coles, UCA
x	Shae Cook, AT&T FirstNet
x	Greg Hamilton, SAIC
x	Tracey Murdock, FirstNet Authority

Approval of Meeting Minutes [Recording 02:05]

Mr. Kuehn entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the UCA RAC meeting held on July 12, 2018. Lieutenant Regina Nelson, Tooele County Sheriff's Office, motioned to approve these minutes, and it was seconded by Captain Jon Fassett, Unified Police Department. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Opportunity for Public Comment [Recording 03:21]

There were none.

Chair Report [Recording 03:37]

Mr. Kuehn commented that regarding the RFP for the radio system, UCA had some small procedural issues in the RFP that they wanted to address, and once those comments came back it, it would have excluded all of the respondents had those procedural details not been included. An extension was made for one week to allow all of the parties to go back and fill in those procedural blanks before resubmitting that information. This extension closed on July 11, and now they are back to the evaluation purposes.

FirstNet Presentation [Recording 04:26]

Mr. Kuehn introduced Gordy Coles, Tracey Murdock and Shae Cook to give the committee a presentation on FirstNet. Mr. Coles told the committee that often it's a misunderstanding that the FirstNet AT&T service is a replacement to the land mobile radio system (LMRS). He explained that this is not a replacement but a supplement that's meant to be broadband data services, and your mission critical voice will still occur over the LMRS that they have. To help reinforce this, he mentioned the RFP that they are currently under, and that they are currently upgrading the 800-meg system to a P25 network. This will bring it current with new technology and allow more operational functionality to the systems.

Tracey Murdock, FirstNet Authority, explained to the committee that FirstNet is a nationwide public safety wireless broadband network that's proving 21st century communication tools for public safety.

Ms. Murdock listed some unique features of FirstNet. These include:

- A network fought for, designed by, and built for public safety
- Has an oversight organization in the First Responder Network Authority that ensures that AT&T delivers on its commitments, and also advocates for public safety
- FirstNet has a sustainable financial model that guarantees reinvestment in public safety's network
- Has a separate, redundant and dedicated core – it is NOT a virtual core as part of a commercial network
- Provides dedicated and separate security monitoring of the Network 24/7/365
- Provided dedicated FirstNet Customer Services Line 24/7/365
- Has a lab run by the First Responder Network Authority that tests and validates the performance of the network, devices, and the applications ecosystem

Shae Cook, AT&T FirstNet, said that the state of Utah opted into a 25-year contract with FirstNet on November 6, 2017. He discussed some of the services available now. These include:

- FirstNet services are now available on the AT&T Commercial Network with full Priority and Preemption capabilities
- Local control of users and applications
- FirstNet Public Safety application store
- App developer program
- Dedicated FirstNet help desk
- Satellite services
- Enhanced Push to Talk (EPTT) with interoperability to LMR networks (CSSI/ISSI/RoIP)
- Subscriber paid (volunteer/employee owned)
- IOC-2 March 30, 2018
 - FirstNet Core
 - Deployable Access
 - ICAM
 - Additional Band Class 14 devices

Mr. Cook commented that the primary users for FirstNet include: fire, law enforcement, EMS, PSAP and emergency management. He explained that this service is available on all bands and all devices starting from the iPhone 5s and the Samsung Galaxy S7 up. The extended primary users include: healthcare, utilities, transportation and others.

Mr. Cook explained the pricing for FirstNet, and discussed the network system saying that \$200+ million has been invested in to the Utah network over the last 3 years, and that there are 16 new cell sites committed in the initial build plan.

Mr. Cook ended by discussing the FirstNet deployable program and the emergency drop kits, saying that the drop kits are ideal for short-term situations or as an interim solution until a FirstNet dedicated deployable arrives.

There was a brief discussion held among the committee.

E-CATs Overview [Recording 1:04:20]

Mr. Kuehn said that all of the technical issues have been resolved with ECATs and that he is currently working with Melanie Crittenden on how to proceed.

Closed Session [Recording 1:06:51]

There were no items to discuss in closed session.

Action: Any items discussed in the Closed Session [Recording 1:07:02]

There were none.

Other Business [Recording 1:07:04]

The committee approved the letter that was written by Chief Mathieu to be sent to the sheriffs, police and fire chiefs within the Wasatch Front region. It was also decided that this letter be sent to elected officials as a reminder of this committee.

Mr. Kuehn entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Captain Jon Fassett, Unified Police Department motioned to adjourn, and this was seconded by Mr. Bucky Whitehouse, Tooele County Emergency Services. The meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting: October 29, 2018