

Meeting Minutes
Region 19 800MHZ Technical Advisory Committee

Tuesday, December 10, 2002

Springfield Vermont State Office Building
100 Mineral Street
Springfield, VT 05156

Meeting started at approximately 11:30 a.m

George Pohorilak chaired the Meeting. An agenda was emailed to all committee members and copies were available for those attending the meeting.

First item on the agenda: Window 9 and 10 Status.

Mr. Pohorilak indicated that letters were mailed to the FCC with concurrence letters attached from Region 8 and 30. The FCC has issued a Public Notice for comments in early December. Following the comment period is a reply comment period. Once an approval letter is received from the FCC a letter will be sent to applicants indicating to move forward with licensing. Mr. Zarwanski indicated that letters were sent to Window 9 and 10 applicants suggesting moving forward with an STA (Special Temporary Authority) to the FCC

Second item on the agenda: Window 11 Channel Selection.

Mr Pohorilak requested Mr. Zarwanski address this agenda item. Mr. Zarwanski indicated that all 3 applicants approved by the committee were found frequencies. The frequencies selected by Zarwanski are pending review by Mr. Warakois (MA/RI) and Mr. Poole (ME). Mr. Warakois indicated that he reviewed the frequencies and grants approval. Mr. Zarwanski indicated he will contact Mr. Poole and request his approval or denial. Once approved by Mr. Poole, the frequency selections will be forwarded to Region 8 and Region 30 for concurrence

Third item on the agenda: Region 8 Window 7 Concurrence Approval.

Mr. Pohorilak indicated a letter was mailed to the Region 8 Chairman with copy to Vincent Stile approving the requested frequencies. Mr. Zarwanski indicated that Region 8 formed a technical evaluation committee to review the applications. Mr. Zarwanski indicated he was a member of the committee and spent many days over six months reviewing the channels identified by the applicants.

Fourth item on the agenda: Window 12 Applications Received.

Three applications were received and distributed. The first application examined was submitted by the Town of West Hartford which was found to be deficient by the committee for the following reasons: An original was filed with no copies (the committee requires a minimum of 12); Existing loading not identified; no budget/funding commitment identified; no area of operation identified and the original copy required a head of Agency or Town Official (Mayor) signature. The committee voted to reject the application and requested the Chairman mail a letter indicating the reasons for rejection. No representation from the Town of West Hartford present.

The second application was received from Nashua, New Hampshire requesting channels 826 – 830. Channels 826 – 829 are reserved for State Police low power mobile only and 830 is available for all eligible. New Hampshire State Police must agree to the release of these channels for Nashua by letter or a Memorandum of Understanding. In addition, Nashua must inform the Massachusetts State Police of the use of the channels since Nashua is in close proximity to the Mass. line. This application was approved with MOU's and letters to follow. A representative from Nashua, NH Police Dept. and New Hampshire State Police was present.

The third application received was from the Mass State Police requesting channels in Brimfield and Truro, MA. This application was approved as submitted. Representation from Mass State Police present

Final item on the agenda: Comments/New Business

Mr. Cruikshank from Motorola identified a potential interference problem with MBTA assignment of Fixed Base channels 827 and 829. These channels are exclusive low power use channels for assignment to State Police. Mr. Pohorilak indicated that the committee (James Warakois) shall contact MBTA and verify if the channels are in use and will reassign MBTA two new channels.

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.