

Illinois P25 Working Group

**April 13th, 2023 Meeting Minutes 9:30 A.M.
Moline Police Department's Community Room
1640 6th Ave. Moline, IL 61265
Project Manager Sheriff Darren Hart Presiding**

Attendees: Mark VanKlaveren, John Winters, Doug Maxeiner, Steve Regenwether, Bob Vitas, Jamie Morris, Matt Franks, Chris Johnson, Steve Seiver, Darren Hart, and Ron Erickson.

Absent: Jeff Ramsey

Public: Darren Gault, Derek Radosevich and Jason Kratt

1. Approval of the Minutes from the March 9th, 2023 meeting:

Motion made by Matt Franks, seconded by Doug Maxeiner: Roll call voice vote taken, motion carried.

11- Yes and 0 No

2. Approval of the April 13th, 2023 Financial Report as Presented:

Motion made by Bob Vitas, seconded by Steve Seiver: Roll call vote by municipality taken, motion carried.

6- Yes and 0 No

3. OLD BUSINESS:

A) **First Quarter Access Fees:** We have billed out \$5,765 in access fees. It is a portion of our billing. We still have \$5,100 to be billed out. We are working on some device counts for users. Our anticipated quarterly billing should be in the range of \$10,000 to \$11,000. Which is approximately \$40,000 to \$44,000 in our first year. A price increase in year two will increase this amount as well.

B) **L3 Harris Firmware Update and Concessions:** Two weeks ago we met with L3 Harris and RACOM regarding firmware issues. Problems include devices that are on and left in the charges will mute themselves, missed calls, and a host of smaller issues. L3 Harris brought in a Todd Purdue, RACOM had Rick Carlund and Scott County had their Police and Fire Chiefs as well as the Executive Board for SECC. L3 Harris said that they had a firmware fix that was delivered to RACOM that day. The engineer they had assigned to the case could only get the resolution to about 90%. He was

removed from the case and they assigned it to another group of engineers. They found a resolution in about two months with a firmware fix. On April 28th, 2023 RACOM will start to schedule “flash” upgrades on all devices. RACOM has been testing this update and it appears to be functional. We have discussed concessions for the inconveniences. L3 Harris has proposed that every device would have a two year manufactures warranty extension on them from the date of the “flash” install. They will activate GPS and Wi-Fi on all portables. BeOn will also be available for all devices that have this option installed on it. We want them to extend contract pricing to all entities as well for future equipment purchases but this has not been settled.

What Wi-Fi would do is allow the portable radio to use Wi-Fi to connect to the network in areas where standard P25 signals are not available (Western Illinois University-Moline is an example). You would have to manually switch this connection on and off when you enter and leave the building but it will allow access to the system network.

RACOM is working on how to handle the circumstance of agencies who have already paid their maintenance contract on **portables and mobiles** only. Do not make payments now if you haven’t already done such, until this is sorted.

- C) **Fire Paging Update:** All of rural Rock Island County Fire Departments managed by RICO Dispatch have switched over. The only agencies who have not are the ones that QCOMM dispatch for (Silvis, Blackhawk, Carbon Cliff and Hampton).
- D) **BDA Updates (RIPD and RICSO):** RIPD is done and we are waiting for Tri-City to finalize Rock Island County.
- E) **QCICC Fiber Update:** There is no update on this topic.
- F) **System Access Request:** The Quad City International Airport Public Safety Agency has ordered their equipment and some of it has come in. A motion and voice vote to allow them onto the system was taken.

Motion made by Bob Vitas, seconded by Mark VanKlaveren: Roll call voice vote taken, motion carried.

11- Yes and 0 No

- 4. **NEW BUSINESS: None**
- 5. **IA/IL Advisory Group Meeting: April 26th, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.**

6. Public Comment: None

7. NEXT MEETING:

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11th, 2023 starting at 9:30 a.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by John Winters, seconded by Matt Franks: A voice vote was taken and the motion carried for adjournment.

11- Yes and 0 No