

**Colorado PUC 9-1-1 Task Force Meeting
March 12, 2009**

Call to order

Kimberly Culp called the meeting to order at 10:06.

Roll Call, Attendance

Attendees introduced themselves and an attendance sheet was passed around for signatures.

Approval of Minutes for January 8, 2009

Jim Sullivan motioned to approve, Dennis Tharp seconded. The minutes were approved.

Discussion with All Hazard Regions and Radio Groups

Kimberly Culp addressed a diverse group including CCNC and Homeland Security group explaining “What we do and How we can work together” (PUC 9-1-1 Task Force). Brian Sheppard addressed several different issues as well, including working toward the same goals.

Analysis of Proposed Budget – breakdown of state requirements for E9-1-1 grant funds – \$660,000.00 on first run available with any remaining funds not used to be rolled over. State 9-1-1 Plan – Challenge to build infrastructure. Regional 9-1-1 Center meetings to be scheduled soon. PUC has not responded as of date. Submit budgets from 9-1-1 centers – incompliance with uses – possibly have each 9-1-1 Authority sign form to verify funds used appropriately. Matching funds at 50 %.

Report from PUC

Gary Klug addressed outage report. New notification number will come online soon. 2 CU students were in attendance – currently working on a project “Addressing 9-1-1 and Future”. They will be looking at E9-1-1 status and Next Gen 9-1-1 funding and interoperability. 9-1-1 Failure/Outage Report Log were provided with details.

Gary Klug also provided latest draft of Rules; requesting comments within two weeks from date in order to compile final draft.

Misc.

Jim Carroll from Qwest provided a briefing of a new product being developed by Qwest. The product would notify “other family members or specified parties” if 9-1-1 is called at a specified address. The product has not been named yet and there is no timeline for release of the project at this time. The 9-1-1 Task Force raised concerns of legal issues and personal safety concerns on scene of certain types of situations. Kimberly Culp recommended not supporting this project.

Funding 911 Services for Rural Counties

Dennis Tharp provided a handout with data from PSAPs within the state. Discussion of possible surcharge of \$0.05 for use on rural communities – to enable Next Gen 9-1-1 to bring up to next technology. Possibly provide portion of \$ available as a grant to support smaller counties. E9-1-1, Next Gen 9-1-1 is believed to be 2.5 times more than current costs. Dennis is looking for feedback, to generate discussions of clear needs and goals for surcharge. Possibly survey citizens to find out what their expectations do they have for 9-1-1 needs throughout the state.

Should we look at the possibility of funding plan for the future? Do we want the state to move together on this issue? NextGen 9-1-1 data will be coming within the next 10 years. It was requested to keep this item on the agenda – possibly forming a sub-committee to discuss issues, future.

T-Mobile @ Home

Jeff Hall, Sr. Manager E9-1-1 Services from T-Mobile provided a briefing on their new product for phone services at home via your bandwidth, home DSL. “T-Mobile @ Home” is available for \$9.99 per month and has begun rollout of the product within the state. Handouts were provided with additional details.

Legislative Committee

Jaci Marie Louise provided briefing requesting input on direction to create a plan of action regarding Pre-Paid wireless to collect and remit a surcharge to be accomplished in 2010. Discussions were also addressed to re-write legislation to assure all devices provide location and remit the 9-1-1 surcharge in 2011. Currently not all Multi-Line Telephone Systems (MLTS) provide a location. Other issues include: text messages, expanding infrastructure and broadband, wireless Phase II (FCC rules), VoIP and future devices.

After lengthy discussions – it was put to a vote with 16 total voting (13 present in room, 3 on conference bridge phone) Motion passed 15-1 in favor of moving forward with legislation to collect pre-paid wireless surcharges and require MLTS provide a location to 9-1-1 in 2010. As opposed to moving forward with complete legislation that would include all issues to be brought to legislation by 2011. Brian Sheppard was the no vote to the more limited legislation and was in favor of the broader legislation.

Resource Center Update

Daryl Branson advised a tentative schedule to meet with various PSAPs to gather information on health of 9-1-1 funding and 9-1-1 as a whole.

Newsletter for 9-1-1 Center will be available and posted on website in April.

Additional information will be provided at the 9-1-1 Resource Center regular meeting today following lunch.

Meeting adjourned at 12:04p.m., to reconvene in 30 minutes.

Colorado 9-1-1 Resource Center Board Meeting

The Colorado 9-1-1 Resource Center Board was convened with discussion on operation and administration of the Center.