

Rural Fire Radio Communications Steering Committee Minutes
Wednesday, December 29, 2022, 6:30 P.M.
Emergency Management Office
1200 Radcliff Street, Suite 200

Advanced public notice of the meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board, and the Lancaster County, Nebraska website and emailed to media on December 21, 2022, and published in the Lincoln Journal Star print edition and website on December 24, 2022.

Present: Richard Hollman, Hallam Rural Fire District; Josh Maurer, Hickman; Eric Johnson, Firth Rural Fire District; Tim Nalley and Phil Nalley, Southwest Rural Fire; Jim Densberger, Jared Ritze, and Steve Schmalken, Malcolm Fire District; Tim Norris, Bennet Fire District; Bill Austin, facilitator; and Sean Flowerday, Lancaster County Board of Commissioners

Others Present: Teresa Fleming, Lincoln-Lancaster County Purchasing; Candace Berens, County Attorney's Office; Pete Kroll, Lincoln-Lancaster County Purchasing Agent

1. Notice of Open Meetings Act

Hollman opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

2. Roll Call

Hollman called the roll for those in attendance.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes for November 16, 2022

MOTION

Maurer moved and Johnson seconded approval of the November 16, 2022, Rural Fire Radio Communications Steering Committee Meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Evaluation of Proposals Submitted for Rural Radio System Assessment

Berens explained how approving or denying the evaluations will work. Fleming and the review panel entered into a discussion regarding the following respondents and their scores: ACD Telecom, LLC; Federal Engineering, Inc.; RFCC, LLC; True North Consulting Group; Tusa Consulting Services; Omnicom Consulting Group, Inc.; Televate, LCC; Trott Communications Group, Inc.; and AltairisTechnology Partners, LLC.

Discussion ensued amongst the group regarding how the group would be protected, it was decided they would check references of the winning bidder.

Fleming mentioned now that the group has seen the scores, no one in the group should be discussing the evaluations with anyone. Any contacts regarding evaluations should be forwarded to Fleming.

MOTION

Norris motioned and Johnson seconded a motion to recommend RFCC, LLC. As the winning bidder pending a positive evaluation of the references by the steering committee. Motion passed unanimously.

Hollman stated the group needs questions for purchasing to ask the RFCC, LLC. references. The group decided on: *(1) are they on budget, (2) are they on time, are they responsive to questions, (3) what the quality of the informational survey was, (4) did they fulfill requirements, and (5) request they respond within one week.*

5. Discussion of Next Meeting Date

Next meeting date is January 12, 2023.

6. Adjournment

MOTION

Norris moved and Johnson seconded to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by Saige Walker, Administrative Secretary to the County Board