

## **D7 Radio Committee Meeting Worcester Regional Communications Center November 14, 2019**

*Meeting called to order at 16:05 hours by Chairman Hamilton  
6 members present (Hamilton, Wilson, Liard, Normandin, Tancrell, Meskus)  
0 guests present*

**Secretary report:** Not ready from the last meeting yet

**Treasury report:** Current report is \$14,996.27

### **Radio Status:**

Southbridge Fire and link – OK  
District 7 Orange- Issues with Charlton site  
Charlton Tower- OK  
Radio Tests- Generally very good

### **Old Business**

- Radio guidelines, nothing further.
- Discussion continued, after the previous meeting, regarding the county radio system and the use of LPS7. It was agreed to request a separate talk group on the State 800 MHz system when its possible. For now, the 33.62 system is functioning and worst case we can use LPS7 if it fails, until a new talk group could get established.
- Charging of portables on the Comm Trucks was discussed. FC-2 was looking or some different chargers. We had already authorized some cups for the chargers in both trucks and Jim will see which ones they need.

### **New Business**

- Discussed the issues with the Charlton site on the Orange system. Jim Wilson inspected the site; the antenna has some damage to it. It is questionable if the cable has taken in water or not. Both are original from about 15 years ago. Motion by Curt seconded by Paul: To purchase a new antenna and cable for the Charlton site (if cable tests bad); Unanimous
- Jim brought up the change of recording, there is a new radio out, in mobile and portable, with over 500 hours of recording with an SD card. This could be good for the Comm Trucks. Uxbridge has some on order and we can see what its like when they get theirs. Jim will also do some testing with them to check capabilities.
- Rich announced he will be stepping down as Chairman at the next meeting. He has been Chairman for 5 years. An election will be put on the next agenda.

Motion to adjourn made by Normandin, seconded by Meskus

Adjourned 16:40

Next Radio Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday January 9th, 2020, 4:00 pm Worcester Regional Communications Center.

*Rich Hamilton, Chairman*