

**D7 Radio Committee Meeting      Oxford Fire Department      July 13, 2017**

*Meeting called to order at 16:06 hours by Chairman Hamilton  
7 members present (Hamilton, Shea, DiFronzo, Wilson, Liard, Maynard, Meskus)  
0 guests present:*

**Secretary report:** Sent electronically. Motion to accept by Meskus 2<sup>nd</sup> by Maynard

**Treasury report:** Radio Committee account is \$9,081.61 plus a \$2,500 donation for computers for Field Com 2

**Radio Status:**

Southbridge Fire and link – OK  
Mendon Tower – OK  
Northbridge Fire and link –  
Oxford Tower – OK  
Charlton Tower- OK  
Radio Tests- Most communities are compliant

**Old Business**

▪ DCR looking for 7 VHF antennas. Rough cost for magnetic mount antennas and coax roughly \$125 per antenna FC1 replacement. A replacement truck has been identified. The truck costs \$25k, \$20k was allotted for the project.

Jim Wilson made a motion that the District 7 Radio Committee accept the 2011 International Dura Star ambulance as a replacement for FC-1 and furthermore forward our request to purchase this vehicle to the entire Board of Directors of Massachusetts Fire District 7. The body of members has approved up to \$20,000. To purchase a vehicle, and we are asking to increase that amount by \$5,000. For a total amount not to exceed \$25,000. And that the Board of Directors forward this request for funding to a vote of the body of members of Massachusetts Fire District 7.

Vote taken. 4 Yes, 1 No, 2 abstained

▪ Getting ideas for a strike team drill

**New Business**

- Due to a budget cutoff more work needs to be done to the orange channel. It needs to be tested again.
- Oxford antenna needs to be tested again
- Radio recorders need to be fixed or replaced. Jim Wilson has a contact with the company and will check with them.
- Chief DiFronzo called a meeting of the D-7 E-board along with officers of the Radio and Communications team committees for Thursday July 20<sup>th</sup> at Auburn Fire Headquarters in regards to the direction of the field comm replacement

Motion to adjourn made by Meskus, Seconded by Wilson

Adjourned:17:07

Next Radio Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday September 14th, 2017, 4:00 pm Oxford Fire Headquarters.

*Paul Shea, Secretary*