



**Regional Wireless Cooperative  
Board of Directors  
MINUTES  
November 19, 2015**

City of Phoenix  
200 W. Washington Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Board Members Present			Board Members Absent
Brent Ackzen	Shawn Holcomb (*)(**)	John Poorte*	Kevin Bailey
Kevin Artz	Mike Horn	Rick St. John	Milton Dohoney
Brenda Buren	John Imig	Rob Sweeney*	Bob Hansen
Wayne Clement	Lonnie Inskeep		Terry McDonald
Ron Deadman*	Danny Johnson		Mike Thompson
Larry Hall*	Paul Luizzi		Tim Van Scoter
Brad Hartig	Troy Maloney		
*Board Alternate	** Telephone Participant	^Non-Voting Alternate	

**Staff and Public Present**

Mindy Briggs	Tom Grebner	Kelly Stewart	
Jeff Case	Daniel Guerra	Tim Ulery	
Kim Clark	Dave Heck		
David Clarke	Carrie Hemmen		
Dave Collett	Regina Milkovich		
Jesse Cooper	Ron Parks		
Kim Engle	Tonia Rogers		
David Felix	Dale Shaw		
Domela Finnessey	Hans Silberschlag		
**Telephone Participant			

**1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Opening Comments, Michael Sumnicht Recognition/Introduction of New Motorola Account Manager, Michael Paz**

Chair Hartig called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

Executive Director David Felix recognized Mr. Michael Sumnicht upon his retirement from Motorola for his support of the RWC. Mr. Michael Paz was introduced as the new Motorola Account Manager to replace Mr. Sumnicht.

**2. Call to the Public – None**

**3. Approval of RWC Board Meeting Minutes from September 24, 2015.**

A **MOTION** was made by Brent Ackzen and **SECONDED** by Rick St. John to approve the RWC Board meeting minutes from September 24, 2015. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (16-0).**

**4. RWC Financial Update for Fiscal Year 2014/15**

Executive Director David Felix briefed the Board on the RWC Financial Update for Fiscal Year 2014/15.

A **MOTION** was made by Rick St. John and **SECONDED** by Lonnie Inskeep to approve the Financial Update. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (17-0\*).**

\*Phoenix Board Member Rob Sweeney arrived a few minutes late.

**5. Approval to Adopt the RWC 2016/17 Budget and 5 Year Plan**

Executive Director David Felix presented the proposed budget for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2016/17 and the 5 Year Plan.

A **MOTION** was made by John Imig and **SECONDED** by Paul Luizzi to adopt the proposed budget. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (17-0).**

**6. Chandler Pursuit Briefing**

Mr. Ron Parks, Communications Analyst, from the Chandler Police Department provided a briefing on an armed robbery incident that took place at the National Bank of Arizona on Chandler Boulevard on August 24, 2015. The armed suspect led the Chandler Police Department on a long pursuit of over one hour across numerous jurisdictional boundaries before being taken into custody while attempting to buy a movie ticket to hide himself. The pursuit was a very dangerous and critical situation. The RWC's wide area interoperability resources provided two critical functions which was bringing everyone together and providing the wide area coverage needed. The regional interoperability initiatives worked flawlessly and gave seamless communications between multiple agencies during a very critical moving incident involving taking into custody an FBI wanted felon with no injuries to the public, first responders or the suspect.

## **7. Executive Director's Report**

### **A. Governance Working Group Update**

Chair Hartig who is also the Chair of the Governance Working Group provided the briefing on the progress of the group.

Three key areas were touched upon: 1) the RWC/TRWC financial audit, 2) governance document status, and 3) next steps.

Due to the findings of the financial audit and the TRWC not wanting to incur increased costs, the single governance approach is no longer a viable option.

With regard to the jointly formed governance document, the TRWC has determined that there are some necessary modifications that will need to be made to the document in order to meet their needs. They will approach their Board for approval to form a committee to work on the document to make these modifications for an independent governance document that they will use.

As the RWC members of the group agree that the new jointly formed document is a much improved document, it will be brought before the RWC Board for consideration after a final review has taken place by the group.

Moving forward, the RWC/TRWC Governance Working Group will be looking at developing a hybrid governance structure over both groups and future groups that might wish to join. Some of the goals would be improved coordination, long term system compatibility, funding efficiencies between the systems, multi contract efficiencies, opportunities for joint funding and the possibility of other regional system participation. Still needing to be researched is the corporate authority model or an IGA.

### **B. Audit Update**

Executive Director David Felix brought to the Board's attention that due to administrative circumstances out of the control of the RWC, the Audit is not able to be presented until January 2016.

### **C. Tolleson PD**

The transition process for the Tolleson Police Department to move onto the RWC has begun. RWC staff met with Tolleson on November 22 to frame what equipment is needed and are working together to possibly meet a December timeframe.

### **D. Daisy Mountain**

The Daisy Mountain bond election was successful to upgrade their towers, so discussions to move forward will take place after the holidays.

**8. Announcements and Future Agenda Items**

Chair Hartig announced that the next RWC Board of Directors meeting is scheduled on January 28, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**9. Adjournment**

Chair Hartig adjourned the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Engle, Management Assistant I