

**Broadband Deployment Council  
April 22, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Tom Coats at 2:00 pm.

**Attendance:**

**Springfield**

Tom Coats, Member	Justin Stofferahn, Member	Kristi Dodson – Lt. Gov
Harold Dameron, Member	Terry Sullivan, Member	Maggie Carson – Lt.Gov
Kim Harber, Member	Jim Zolnierек, Member	John Lowrey, Guest
Lori Sorenson, Guest	Phil Halstead, Guest	Karen Poncin, Guest
Karen Boswell, Guest	Bud Green, Guest	Deno Perdiou, Guest
Jerome Holston, Guest		

**Chicago (via video)**

Charles Benton, Member	Herb Kuryliw, Member	Layton Olson, Guest
Dan Casey, Guest		

**By Phone**

Alice Calabrese, Member	Chet Olson, Member	Ray Cagle, Guest
Bruce Cooper, Member	Julie Oost, Member	Don Samuelson, Guest
Lorrie Karcher, Member	Allan Phillips, Member	Nicole Lucky, Guest
Joel Mambretti, Member	Ed Vargus, Member	Joe Galvin, Guest
Joel Mulder, Member	Eric Shadley, Guest	Paul Worseler, Guest
Laura Lane, Guest	Suzanne Stelmasek, Guest	Doug Power, Guest

**Members Absent**

Troy Brown	Bruce Montgomery	David Williams
Holly Copeland	Gary Schenkel	Michael Masters

Jody Johnson

Ed VanHoose

### **Approval of Minutes**

Kim Harbor motioned to approve the minutes. Phil Halstead seconded. All approved.

### **Committee Reports:**

- Administrative Committee - No new information to report. Tom said that previous conversations have included cleaning up the member list and the direction of the council. The Council member list is up-to-date. Committee members are Tom Coats, Kim Harber, Terry Brown, Julie Oost, and Ed VanHoose. Charles Benton signed up for this committee.
- Information and Research – No new information to report
- Infrastructure and Access – No new information to report. The committee is working on a legislative agenda that includes Railroad Rights of Way, as well as developing policy documents. The committee needs to meet and set an agenda for the year. Tom will provide updates on the Railroad Rights of Way.
- Adoption, Use and Impact – No new information. Council needs to select a committee chair.

### **Issue Discussion:**

#### FirstNet update (Joe Galvin)

- At the end of the month, there will be a check list sent to organizations to ensure that actions have been completed. Galvin has started collecting information.
- Candidates have been interviewed and offered positions (System Architect, Outreach positions).
- Galvin is working with Coats to develop an Illinois “wish list.” Suggested items on the list include: coverage percentage, connecting 911 centers, and IL/cross state collaboration.
- CMS is interested in “open space fiber GIS availability” data.
- Zolniersek asked about marketing information. Galvin stated that any information presented now would be superficial since the group is still waiting on information from FirstNet. He added that the first meeting with FirstNet can be used to answer questions.
- Halstead mentioned that the FirstNet director resigned last week and suggested FirstNet look to the Internet2 model for establishing a good framework.
- Galvin discussed the need to integrate 911centers/next generation 911. With regards to IL/cross state collaboration, Joe hopes to be able to meet with CIO's and SWIC officers.
- Coats added that FirstNet will require legislation for capital funding sources, since the program will likely impose matching requirements.

### Smart Grid

- Oost offered to share a smart grid white paper developed by the Commission and industry representatives.
- Cooper recounted the work that his group is doing with Prairie Power to bring fiber to sub stations and expand broadband through fixed wires. Builds will begin late this summer.

### Committee Structure

- Members discussed the future role of the existing committees.
- Some members were fine with the current committee structure, while others believe the committees and focus should change each year based on need and priorities.
- Sorenson said that the group needs to agree on broadband goals. The group needs to adopt an outline of statewide broadband goals.
- Halstead had been working on a proposal since November 2013 with goals to:
  - Continue PCI after December
  - Support DCEO on broadband economic development
  - Continue GIS data analysis
  - Restructure PCI board to close gaps
- The Administrative Committee will continue discussing committee structure and bring back recommendations to the committee as a whole..

### **Adjourn**

Phil Halstead made a motion to adjourn. Bruce Cooper seconded. All approved to adjourn at 3:47 pm.