

**MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING OF JUDICIARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT
AND BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEES
December 1, 2004
KCAB 2ND FLOOR COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ROOM**

Members Present: Jim Huff, Brenda Carey-Mielke, Terry Rose, William Michel II, Susan Deschler, Mark Molinaro Jr., Judith Rossow, Gordon West, Doug Noble, Leonard Johnson

Others Present: Chief Deputy Charles Smith, Tom Walther, Sue Marcinkus, Ben Schliesman, Fred Patrie, Vicky Galich

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Jim Huff

Citizen Comments: None

Supervisor Comments: None

Chairman Comments: None

A Resolution to Upgrade Communications Systems in Joint Services Dispatch with Motorola Equipment:

Motion by: Leonard Johnson **Seconded by:** Doug Noble **Approved:** unanimously

Motion by: Deschler **Seconded by:** Michel **Approved:** unanimously

Fred Patrie explained that this is the fourth time that Motorola has been designated to update equipment. Previous updates were when the County Center came online, when handheld units were replaced, and for the Detention Center. Emergency Management secured grant money of \$167,723.19 for this purpose. The question was asked if Motorola is the best. Marcinkus said that they have had no problems with Motorola and that we are building on an existing system insuring compatibility. Supr. Rose commented that contracts usually do not come before the Board and that these types of items are usually in the budget. He asked why this is coming before the Committee if it is in the budget. Patrie replied that the County usually goes through the RFP/bid process, however, when a RFP/bid is bypassed, County Board Ordinance requires a resolution to designate a specific vendor. Rose asked who else makes this type of product. Chief Deputy Smith explained that 99% of the existing equipment is from Motorola and that using a different company would require modifications or patching. Marcinkis added that having different providers could result in issues and conflicts between companies and in trying to determine whose problem something is. Michel asked if this equipment is compatible with Racine and surrounding counties. Smith responded that they do not know what Racine has. Deschler pointed out that within the resolution the grant amount is reported as \$162,000 in one place and \$167,000 in another and asked which amount is correct. Patrie said that the correct amount is \$167,723.19 and that the amount would be corrected on the original resolution. Rossow asked why we are specifying Milwaukee 2-Way, he doesn't recall specifying the provider in the past. Marcinkus explained that Motorola stopped doing their own servicing and now use Milwaukee 2-Way. They also got a better quote from Milwaukee 2-Way. Smith added that there are a lot of Motorola equipment providers, however, not a lot of Motorola service providers. Milwaukee 2-Way is on call 24 hours a day, every day, by contract. The equipment is in their trucks and they take care of our towers. Huff asked how many consoles are being purchased with the grant money. Marcinkus responded that it replaces 7 consoles, adds 3 consoles, and repairs 4 consoles.

Any Other Business Allowed by Law: Patrie informed the committees that in January they would be providing some thoughts and ideas about the 911 expansion.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:15 p.m. on motion by Carey-Mielke, seconded by Michel.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DeBree.