

WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

800 MHz Joint Operating Committee

Ryan Sommers, Chair
Don Pelt, Vice Chair
Bryan Boren, Secretary

*****Draft Meeting Minutes*****

**Thursday, July 23, 2026
10:00 a.m.**

**Washoe County Administration Complex
1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada, 89512
Building A, Second Floor, Caucus Room**

This meeting was held at the physical location listed above and via teleconference.

Committee website: https://www.washoecounty.gov/technology/board_committees/800mhz_joc

Committee Members

Cody Shadle, City of Reno	Nicole Lecap, Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority (Alternate)
Angela Phelps, City of Reno (Alternate)	Joseph Schum, Truckee Meadows FPD
Derek Keller, City of Sparks	Shane Akerson, Truckee Meadows FPD (Alternate)
Connie Shepperd, City of Sparks (Alternate)	Ian Dasmann, TMWA
Matthew Lund, Nevada Air National Guard	Aaron Reyes, TMWA (Alternate)
David Almada, Nevada Air National Guard (Alternate)	Ed Atwell, UNR/NSHE
Jae Pullen, Nevada Department of Transportation	Jeremy Irwin, UNR/NSHE (Alternate)
Jake Grivette, Nevada Dept. of Transportation (Alternate)	David Brown, FBI
Ryan Sommers, North Lake Tahoe FPD	Vacant, US DEA
Vacant, North Lake Tahoe FPD (Alternate)	Bryan Boren, US Dept. of Veterans Affairs
Don Pelt, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe	Ray Leal, US Dept. of Veterans Affairs (Alternate)
David Paulon, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (Alternate)	Joe Colacurcio, Washoe County
Jarrod Nunes, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony	Shannon Hardy, Washoe County (Alternate)
John Hecimovich, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (Alternate)	Mark Mathers, Washoe County School District
Ricardo Duarte, Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority	Seana Baker, Washoe County School District (Alternate)



QUALITY
PUBLIC SERVICE



INTEGRITY



EFFECTIVE
COMMUNICATION

Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

Present

- | | |
|---|---------------------------|
| • City of Reno | Cody Shadle |
| • City of Sparks | Derek Keller |
| • Nevada Air National Guard | David Almada |
| • Nevada Department of Transportation | Jake Grivette |
| • North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District | Ryan Sommers |
| • Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe | Don Pelt |
| • Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority | Nicole Lecap |
| • Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District | Joseph Schum |
| • Truckee Meadows Water Authority | Aaron Reyes |
| • UNR | Ed Atwell |
| • US Department of Veterans Affairs | Bryan Boren |
| • Washoe County | Shannon Hardy |
| • Washoe County School District | Mark Mathers, Seana Baker |

Absent

- Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
- FBI
- US DEA (vacant)

Katherine Hoffman, Washoe County District Attorney's Office, was also in attendance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no response to the call for public comment.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MAY 7, 2026, MINUTES

There was no response to the call for public comment.

Ed Atwell, University of Nevada, Reno, moved to approve the Committee meeting minutes of May 7, 2026, as written. Don Pelt, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, seconded the motion, which carried on a 13-0 vote.

4. SYSTEM STATUS UPDATE

Regional Communications Coordinator Tyler Gerber-Winn conducted a slideshow presentation and reviewed slides with the following titles: LID (Logical Identification Number) Status Update; System Status Update; Maintenance Recommendations; and System Status Update.

Mr. Gerber-Winn discussed the plan to try to prevent problems like the generator issue on Red Peak, which involved using soft-start equipment on the shelters' air conditioners so they did not power fully all at once. He explained that some of the equipment purchased through Dailey & Wells, who originally sold the licenses for the consoles, were not updated to L3Harris' system. Staff is working with L3Harris to replace the hard drives, but none of the agencies needed to opt into that plan.

Ed Atwell, University of Nevada, Reno, pointed out that purchases which did not qualify for the 72 percent discount only received a 26 percent discount, so Dailey & Wells could be an option for a better rate on things like speakers. Mr. Gerber-Winn encouraged agencies to consider grouping together certain products to order now to receive better pricing. He noted that there were some critical repair needs at certain sites after the winter. Staff did not yet have the 2027 price list, but he expected prices to increase around 40 percent at that time.

Tracy Moore with L3Harris indicated that the pricing schedule was agreed to during mediation. He suggested that people contact him to get today's listed price. He did not know what the prices for 2027 would be at this time, though he did not expect drastic price changes between the 2026 prices. He offered to use their pricing tool to provide quotes which included the contractual discounts, adding that the quotes would be good for 30 days.

Mr. Gerber-Winn pointed out that prices were set through a contractual agreement, but list prices for the year were changing. Staff could confirm for any agencies which discounts certain pieces of equipment would qualify for. Chair Ryan Sommers, North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, suggested that discussions continue offline with Mr. Moore about potential changes in pricing for January, February, and March.

Responding to the Chair's question about LIDs, Mr. Gerber-Winn stated they could be used on both systems as there was a bridge between the two. The systems are based on where the user is speaking from: the P25 system is focused on the urban core while the Enhanced Digital Access Communications System is statewide.

5. WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FUND REPORT

Quinn Korbolic, Washoe County Technology Services, stated that this presentation could be used as a basis for a more comprehensive discussion in October. He conducted a PowerPoint presentation and reviewed slides with the following titles: WCRCS Fund (210); WCRCS Fund – Operations; WCRCS Fund – Infrastructure; and WCRCS Fund – What's Next. He pointed out that the budget presented was not complete; some invoices received after June 30, 2026, could still impact the fiscal year (FY) 2026 budget. A more complete view of the budget should be known by October.

Mr. Korbolic explained that the debt reserve was designed to stay in the fund to act as the final payment for the bond. Ed Atwell, University of Nevada, Reno, thought the debt reserve was meant to be returned to the agencies if no default occurred. Mr. Korbolic clarified that the bond was a 15-year bond, but the agencies' debt payment structure was based on a 14-year plan. In response to the point that not every agency paid the extra 10 percent, he admitted that it was muddled, but the math checked out. He explained that the operations figure was broken out into different line items for operations, P25 debt, and the debt reserve.

Mr. Atwell expressed frustration at the inconsistency of the financial report format and felt that the Joint Operating Committee should be able to help design it. Mark Mathers, Washoe County School District, requested a breakdown of the ending fund balance which included the debt reserve and the Operating Fund. Regarding visualization of the Infrastructure Fund in future budget presentations, Mr. Korbolic offered to break down the total revenues to show the exact totals of the 10 percent infrastructure contribution and the P25 addendum payments.

Mr. Mathers commented that the ending fund balance increased by around \$1 million from FY26's budgeted amount to the actual amount, but only \$500,000 was reflected in the net change figure. Kari Estrada, Washoe County Technology Services, stated that operations expenditures were less

than revenues, but infrastructure expenditures were more than revenues, which resulted in the \$523,682 figure. The FY26 budget, she clarified, was the adjusted budget.

Mr. Atwell requested that the materials be disseminated 30 days before the October meeting, which Mr. Korbolic indicated he would do. Mr. Atwell requested an opportunity for the Committee to meet with staff to provide input on how the reporting should look before that meeting. It was mentioned that staff would work with Deputy District Attorney Jen Gustafson on the best way for multiple Committee members to have those discussions without running into quorum issues.

6. 800 MHz JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION, AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were no requests.

The next regular meeting of the 800 MHz Joint Operating Committee is scheduled for October 15, 2026.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Don Pelt, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, wondered whether the 2026 prices for purchases made by December 31 would remain in effect even if supply chain issues caused delivery of the equipment to be delayed until 2027. It was pointed out that public comment was not an appropriate forum for that type of discussion, and that question could be asked of L3Harris at a later time.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 a.m.