

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Minutes
Held, March 18th, 2025
2:02 p.m.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Bobby Richardson	KCSO	X	
Scott Mulliner	City of Plano		X
Scott McCarty	Bristol Kendall Fire	X	
Norm Allison	Plano Police		X
Phil Smith	Montgomery Police	X	
Shane Yackley	Oswego Police		X
Dan Schiradelly	Oswego Fire	X	
Garrett Carlyle	Yorkville Police	X	

Others Present: Lynette Bergeron, KenCom Director; Jenny Haske, KenCom Assistant Director; Bonnie Walters, KenCom Executive Assistant.

Bobby Richardson called the meeting to order and requested a roll call of the membership. A roll call was taken with five of the eight members present resulting in having a quorum for voting purposes.

Public Comments: None

Richardson called for a motion to approve the agenda. Richardson stated that there is an amendment that 4A on the agenda should be 5. Smith made the motion to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Schiradelly. Discussion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Consent Agenda – Richardson called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Carlyle made the motion, seconded by Schiradelly, to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Approval of the January 14th, 2025 Strategic Planning Committee minutes. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Richardson called for Old Business: None

Any Other Old Business – None

Richardson called for New Business:

Discussion of Strategic Projects – Discussion under 6B.

NIU Center for Governmental Studies Proposal – Smith made a motion to approve the NIU Center for Governmental Studies Proposal in an amount not to exceed \$25,000, seconded by McCarty. Discussion ensued on the proposed proposal. A roll call was taken with all five members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Radio Encryption Discussion – Richardson stated there has been a lot of discussion in regards to going fully encrypted. Bergeron stated they will be ready by the end of summer on the police side, when Motorola completes the install of the equipment on the radio console equipment. The police have all portables and mobiles that are digital capable, which will allow encryption. The fire side is not ready, fire 3 is currently digital and fire 1 is still analog. The holdback on the fire side is the smaller departments/districts that rely on pagers, and until they switch out their pagers and mobile radios to digital compliant, KenCom will have to keep fire 1. The issue with that is if fire is needed to an incident, it will be toned on fire 1, which will not be encrypted. Bergeron continued that it was discussed at the Operations Board meeting last

month that any new fire radios purchased needs to be digital capable. They have also asked the fire agencies at the MABAS level to come up with a timeline for when they can be digital-ready. Discussion ensued. Bergeron stressed that as soon as the decision is made and we go all digital, FOIA's will drastically increase, which will come with a cost of an increase in staff time. KenCom purchased digital portable radios for both the police and fire to help this process to go digital move along quicker.

Any Other New Business – None

Other Business from the Floor – None

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 15th, 2025 at the Public Safety Center, Lower Level, KenCom Conference room at 2:00 p.m. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:29 p.m., seconded by McCarty. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted,

Bonnie Walters
Recording Secretary