

September 21, 2021 (emailed)

To: Central Vermont Public Safety Authority

From: Capital Fire Mutual Aid System

Re: Tellevate Report

Dear Chair Person Bate,

The CFMA system has been monitoring the progress of the CVPSA and have waited for the release of the Tellevate report. After reviewing the report and after taking the consensus of the members of last week's CFMA meeting we would like to make the following recommendation's moving forward;

- The CFMA would like to accept the Tellevate report as submitted and outlining the proposed radio systems.
- Proceed to immediately chart a course and address the upgrades as outlined by priority and cost allocations as noted.
- Currently address and seek funding for only Priority #1's
- Accept the Twin Cities letter to CVPSA and the proposed funding of the Consoles in both dispatch centers.
- CFMA would like to encourage Fire and Police Chief participation on the CVPSA board.
- CFMA would like to request the CVPSA to present their summary report (power Point) to a meeting sometime during the second or third week of October. During this meeting we will encourage the Fire Chiefs and a member of their select board to be present to hear from CVPSA and Tellevate and for them to be able to ask questions.
- CFMA would like to develop a presentation in conjunction with CVPSA to be presented to the local select boards for the CFMA members. So that all boards are informed in a timely way in preparations for their respective budgets. We propose to have this done during the second and third weeks of November.
- CFMA would like to work with the CVPSA to develop an acceptable and equitable funding formula for the remainder of the priority #1 project components.
- CFMA would like to work with CVPSA on further reviewing the other priorities outlined in the report for the future.
- CFMA would also like to work with CVPSA on developing a Capital Improvements plan for the future of the radio system.

The CFMA system is very sensitive to the scope and cost of this project and we encourage any and all grant funding mechanisms to be pursued.

I would also like to take this opportunity to introduce Chief Mark Sutton. Chief Sutton has been appointed to fill the open vacant seat left by Chief Will Schwartz. Chief Sutton brings a wealth of experience both in Emergency Services and in the private sector to include Health Care. He was voted on and sworn in during last week's meeting. I look forward to working with the CVPSA and hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

*WB*, President Walter Bothfeld

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Second Vice President Wayne Knott

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