



Director Roxbury asked Shawn if there was enough budgeted for maintenance regarding the new system's troubles and repairs. Would there be funds if extra was needed? Shawn confirmed that there would be some funds that could be moved around, if necessary. He also noted that the District had a contract for a set amount and should not expect to pay more than that. With regard to the warranties, Shawn confirmed that they would not expire before the system was in full use. The equipment had a 1 year warranty and the subscriber unit warranty was 3 years. Shawn also noted that the issues that they had been having were exclusively problems with the software, not hardware or equipment, and that the annual maintenance contract would cover all software updates.

In response to Director Lieuallen's question, Justin Russell reported that the situation, from the Dispatch perspective, was much improved. There were still some traffic issues, but the overall quality was great. The coverage was also better. There were still concerning issues that were critical pieces. Justin also noted that the relationship between field users and dispatchers was good and that they were reporting issues to the District.

In response to Director Kennedy's question, Mike Hughes reported one equipment issue was the ease of accidentally hitting the emergency button on portables and he asked for a longer or deeper push. The accidental activations were disruptive to incident commanders and Dispatch. Shawn explained that a long press was possible, through a change to programming, that could be done over the air (OTAP). Scott Stanton agreed that that had been an issue for his staff as well. He also noted that he was looking into buying additional radios that were easier to use when wearing firefighting gloves. Director Kennedy noted that even thick winter gloves created issues when pushing buttons on the radios. Mike and Scott were not having any issues with scanning and were getting used to the change in the sound of voices.

In response to Director Kennedy's question, Shawn reported that the software update from Tait was expected in late June. Until then, he would continue to roll controllers every other day. Tait was expected to spend a lot more time on writing and testing the new software update than they have on previous versions.

VI. Budget Approval

The budget was approved at the end of IV. Discussion.

VII. Adjourn

*A motion to adjourn the Budget Committee Meeting was made by Director Lieuallen and seconded by Director Kennedy.*

*Director Pratt: Aye*

*Director Roxbury: Aye*

*Director Lieuallen: Aye*

*Director Pratt: Aye*

*Mike Hughes: Aye*

*Rita Allman: Aye*

*Justin Russell: Aye*

*Scott Stanton: Aye*

*Ray Denny: Aye*