

Regular Workshop – June 16, 2014  
Agenda Item 9

**Agenda Item:** Status Report on Sarasota County Proposal to Provide Dispatch Services

**Presenter:** Town Manager and Staff

**Summary:** Sarasota County and the Sarasota County Sherriff have proposed to provide dispatch services to the municipalities of Sarasota County. At the Regular Workshop on April 15, 2013, the Town Commission directed staff to begin a due diligence period. Since that time Town staff have been investigating the feasibility of consolidating the Town's dispatch with Sarasota County. Staff will present an update on the due diligence progress.

**Attachments:** Memo, Assistant Town Manager to Commission  
PowerPoint Presentation

**Recommended  
Action:** None, informational only.

## M E M O R A N D U M

Date: June 3, 2014

**TO:** Town Commission  
**THROUGH:** Dave Bullock, Town Manager  
**FROM:** Anne Ross, Assistant Town Manager  
**SUBJECT:** Status Report on Sarasota County Proposal to Provide Dispatch Services

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On February 20, 2013, Sarasota County and the Sarasota County Sherriff proposed to provide dispatch services to the municipalities of Sarasota County. At the Regular Workshop on April 15, 2013, the Town Commission directed staff to begin a due diligence period. Since that time, Town staff have been investigating feasibility consolidating dispatch. The due diligence information gathering has centered on the following categories:

- Cost
- Technology
- Personnel
- Level of Service

Staff will present the attached PowerPoint to provide an update on the due diligence progress and anticipated schedule. We plan to finalize the due diligence process this fall. Staff will then bring the results of the due diligence to the Town Commission for further direction. Please contact me if you have any questions.



# DISPATCH CONSOLIDATION DUE DILIGENCE STATUS UPDATE

TOWN COMMISSION WORKSHOP  
JUNE 16 2014



## DISPATCH CONSOLIDATION

- **Sarasota County Sheriff Extended Offer of Consolidation to Municipalities, February 20, 2013**
- **Sarasota County Building New Emergency Operations Center (EOC), Planned for 2015**
- **Sarasota and Manatee County are Working Together to Purchase a Radio System**



## MUNICIPALITY STATUS

- **City of Venice – Sarasota County Began Full Dispatching in May 2014**
- **City of North Port – Still in Due Diligence Period, Implementation Possible Fall 2014, Spring 2015**
- **Town of Longboat Key – Still in Due Diligence Period, Implementation Possible in Fall 2016, Spring 2017 with EOC Completion and Radio Conversion**



## ORDER OF ANALYSIS

- **County Successfully Completed Venice Implementation, Still Transitioning Non-emergency Calls**
- **County Currently Working with North Port on Due Diligence Details**
- **County Requested to Work in Greater Detail with the Town after Venice and North Port, Fall 2014**



## KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- **Cost**
- **Technology**
  - **Radio Communication**
  - **Computer Aided Dispatch**
- **Personnel**
- **Level of Service**
  - **License Plate Recognition Cameras**



## PROGRESS OF TOWN DUE DILIGENCE

- **Municipalities and County Finalized Interlocal Agreement**
- **Data Gathering Close to Completion**
- **County Input Requested on Technology and Level of Service**



## **ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE SHOULD CONSOLIDATION OCCUR**

- **New EOC Construction Complete Spring 2015**
- **Old Radio Transferred to EOC Summer 2015**
- **New Radio Conversion Complete Fall 2016**
- **County/Sheriff Needs LBK Commitment  
Decision Fall 2014**
- **LBK Transition Fall 2016**



**End of Agenda Item**