

Regular Workshop-January 19, 2016
Agenda Item 10

Agenda Item: Dispatch Consolidation Update

Presenter: Fire Chief

Summary: The Town of Longboat Key Fire and Police Departments have been working with both Manatee and Sarasota Counties in consolidating all dispatch services. The Fire Chief will provide a brief update on the progress of the consolidation and answer any questions concerning the process.

On January 19, 2016 the Town Commission had the opportunity for individual tours of the Sarasota County Public Safety Communications Center (PSCC). The Fire Chief, Police Chief and IT Director will be available at the January 19, 2016 Regular Workshop Meeting to answer questions regarding their visit.

Attachments: 1-19-16 Memo, Fire Chief to Manager.

Recommended
Action: None, informational only.

M E M O R A N D U M

Date: January 12, 2016

TO: Dave Bullock, Town Manager
FROM: Paul Dezzi, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: Fire and Police Dispatch Consolidation

Both Manatee and Sarasota Counties (including the Sarasota Sheriff's Office) have worked closely with the Town over the past two years in analyzing the best path forward for our emergency dispatch operations.

Sarasota and Manatee Counties are in the process of improving their 911 call-taking, dispatch operations, and radio systems. Town staff has provided periodic updates describing the Town's situation during the transition over to Sarasota County Public Safety Communications Center (PSCC).

Regular meetings with Sarasota, Manatee, and Longboat Key have taken place on consolidating and transitioning dispatch services for all public safety on Longboat Key. There are many factors that have and continue to be addressed for a smooth transition.

At the January 19, 2016 Regular Workshop Meeting a brief update will be presented to the Commission on the progress and what can be expected in the coming months.

Staff will also be available to address questions the Commission may have regarding their recent tour and visit to Sarasota County Public Safety Communication Center (PSCC).



End of Agenda Item