



**AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF PORTABLE AND MOBILE RADIOS FOR THE ROCK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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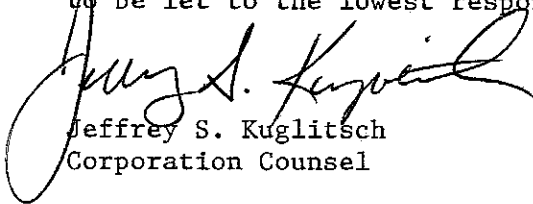
Sufficient funding is available in the Sheriff's WISCOM Radio Upgrade grant account for the purchase of these radios.



Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to secs. 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats. In addition, sec. 59.52(29), Wis. Stats. requires the project to be let to the lowest responsible bidder.



Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch  
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.



Craig Knutson  
County Administrator

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To better serve the citizens of Rock County, the Rock County Sheriff's Office will be purchasing twenty-six portable radios and thirteen mobile radios to operate on the Wisconsin Interoperability System for Communications (WISCOM). The radios will be purchased through General Communications using State of Wisconsin Contract #02702.

The grant opportunity was through the Office of Justice Assistance, and was designed for law enforcement agencies to purchase a specific WISCOM capable radio. These radios were not in the original Rock County Interoperability plan, but because of the grant opportunity, will enable the Sheriff's Office to purchase these additional radios.

The Rock County Sheriff's Office deputies will utilize these radios to more effectively communicate with other law enforcement agencies throughout the state, during emergencies and multi-agency deployments. These radios are designed to function on the Wisconsin Interoperability System for Communications (WISCOM).

By May 1, 2012 the Sheriff's Office plans to initiate the operation of these WISCOM radios.

There was no local match for the grant funding.