

# *Falmouth Police Department*

## **Memorandum**

September 19, 2014

To: Nathan Poore  
Town Manager  
Fr: Chief Ed Tolan  
Re: Voter at town office cell tower

The proposed voter/receiver for the Public Safety Department radio system is a vital addition to the network. When the police department moved to our new facility the old radio tower that was located at the town office was disconnected from the system. As you will note in the memo from our radio company (below), the ability to install an additional voter at this site will enhance our radio network in the central part of the town. I would strongly recommend the approval of this cell tower and voter/receiver.

Chief,

The current radio system has receiver sites at the following locations: Blackstrap tower; Central Station; and Foreside Fire Station

The receiver at the Blackstrap tower is the only receiver site on that side of town. The signal reception of portable radios is poor in the area of Leighton Rd and the shopping center because the signal to Blackstrap is blocked somewhat by the Blackstrap Hill itself as well as being a far distance from the site.

The addition of a receiver site at Town Hall will greatly improve Police and Fire portable radio communications back to the dispatch center.

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