

NW Region SCIP Implementation Council

Meeting Minutes November 2, 2011

Keith called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. at the LCO Convention Center in Hayward.

Roll call is by the sign in sheet.

Keith asked for approval of the August 31, 2011 minutes. Jason Minks motioned to approve and a second was made by Jan Victorson. Motion carried.

No public comment.

County reports on progress on interoperability: Price County did their narrowband in August and they are having no issues. Polk County did their narrowband in September with no issues. Sawyer will be narrowbanding in December. Rusk did their narrowband in September with no issues. Barron did their narrowband in September with no issues. Douglas County did their narrowband in September but the Sheriff still needs to get his done. Bayfield did their narrowband in September and they have some issues but those issues were probably there before. Keith introduced Carl Guse from the State. Carl is a good source to talk to about WISCOM and other radio information.

Brian Cody and Jan Victorson worked on creating a list of mutual aid channels to use if agencies responded to other counties. There was not much further discussion about this so Brian and Jan will try to formalize the document.

Special report: none

Old business:

Regional coordinator report: Tad reported that all the counties in our area had completed their Goal 2 reports and that 71 out of 72 counties in the State had completed Goal 2 reports. Wisconsin is one of the top States in completing their Goal 2 reports. Tad said he is still continuing to enter information into CASM. If anybody else is interested in signing up for CASM he can get them signed up. As far as TICP's Tad has done a second meeting with Polk County and has had kickoff meetings with Ashland and Burnett.

Tad also brought up the issue about channel naming and if people were aware of the State proposal. There was some good discussion both for and against the naming proposal. Half of our regional counties are basically using the naming proposal but some counties see no need for it. The argument being if someone comes from a different county or somewhere else from the State why can't they use a mutual aid channel? A show of hands was a split of 50/50 on the naming proposal. Some more discussion was held on a naming consistency within the county itself and that was maybe more important at this point. The State proposal concept could be used there as a guide.

Carl Guse talked about progress in the State with WISCOM. He mentioned how many sites were up and future sites in Douglas County. Terry asked about the price of doing the interface and who had responsibility of the up keep. Carl said the agency would be. There could be some problems between the local vendor and EF Johnson on who is responsible when things break down.

New business: Keith brought up that the grant renewal for the Council was coming up and if anyone was interested in doing it this year. Motion was made by Terry Dryden to have Keith Kesler manage the grant again, second by Rose Lillyroot. Motion was passed. Keith also brought up renewing the Coordinator contract. Motion by Terry Dryden and seconded by Brigitte Kornbroke to renew the contract with Tad. Motion Passed.

Discussion was also had about local participation on interoperability. Tad shared a draft document from the State about possible items to consider on local participation. There has been fairly good participation in our region but there was agreement that there are agencies that do not participate well. Statement was made that: Everyone is feeling the budget pinch, everyone is feeling the lack of staff, don't raise the bar to high that people get discouraged and stop moving forward. Motion was made by Brian Cody and seconded by Kathy Poirier to use this statement as our feelings on local participation on interoperability.

Other Business: Keith said that there is new grant funding for upgrading local radios for WISCOM access. Agencies will have to apply for this grant. Keith also mentioned that at our next meeting election of officers will be held.

Next meeting: February 29, 2011, 10:00 am at LCO.

Adjourn: Motion by Brigitte Kornbroke second by Jan Victorson. Motion Passed.

Council Members Present:

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Name	Representing/Agency/Department
Hnath, James	Ashland County Sheriff
Foley, Taylor	Ashland County
Leu, Jason	Barron County Law
Johnson, Dale	Bayfield County Fire
Moe, Gerald	Douglas County Law
Rigstad, Jim	Douglas County Fire
Kesler, Keith	Douglas County EMS
Victorson, Jan	Regional EM
Stoffel, Jill	Polk County EMS
Poirer, Kathy	Polk County Alternate
Wirsing, Greg	Price County Law
Minks, Jason	Price County Fire

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Scott Walker
Governor

Kaminski, David

Rusk County Law

Kornbroke, Brigette

Sawyer County Law

Schmidt, Mike

Sawyer County Fire

Cody, Brian

Sawyer County EMS

Lillyroot, Rose

Sawyer County Alternate

Dryden, Terrence

Washburn County Law

Others in Attendance:

Crowson, Ben DSC; Leif, Dan DSC; Spair, Joe Motorola; Guse, Carl WI State Patrol; Matheson, Tad NW-Regional Coordinator