

EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL SCIP IMPLEMENTATION COUNCIL

TOWN OF GRAND CHUTE FIRE DEPARTMENT

DECEMBER 11, 2014

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1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Keith Kiesow at 1:05 p.m. The agenda was modified to move item 15 to follow item 6.
2. Attendance was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present per council by-laws. All participating were provide the opportunity to introduce themselves.

Present: John Lampkin*, Renee Ruiz, Matthew Marmor, Ben Schoenborn, Joe Meagher*, Dale Marks*, Anthony Luchini, James McNabb, Gary Podoll*, Bill Jones, Gerry Neuser, Tim Bantes, Rick Buntrock, George Macias, Mark Piechowski, Keith Kiesow, Jesse Jensen*, Jeff Stauber. Others present: Rick Lange, Shannon Ladwig, Gene Oldenburg, Mike DeBruler, Kevin Lemke. (* indicates teleconference participation)
3. Motion by John Lampkin, second by George Macias to approve minutes of the September 11, 2014 meeting as distributed. All voted "aye."
4. No correspondence to report.
5. Jeff Stauber reported that, per council by-laws, elections for the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will occur at our first meeting of 2015. A request was made for volunteers to serve on an Elections Committee, a notice will be distributed to the group by e-mail. A By-Laws Work Group will also be established in 2015 following adoption of the new governance structure and subcommittee charters.
6. Shannon Ladwig of Wisconsin Emergency Management presented information history and expected future of the Homeland Security grants. Agencies that have projects should forward that information directly to Shannon for consideration in a strategic funding plan. It was noted that all communications-related projects must be related to the recently approved Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP). Shannon also provided a brief explanation of FEMA's interpretation of Environmental and Historical Preservation (EHP) Review requirements.
7. Notes from the Wisconsin Interoperability Council's most recent meeting were reviewed, draft minutes are available to view at interop.wi.gov website.
8. County communications systems updates:

Brown: System infrastructure updates are being implemented.
Calumet: Participating in the FoxComm Motorola CAD software rollout.
Dodge: Simulcast paging system is complete. Timing issues have been addressed. An Assistance to Firefighters Grant (regional) is funding source for the fire paging upgrade. The Ashippun tower is operational and a 9th tower at Mayville is being upgraded.
Door: The implementation of the county simulcast system is complete. The upgrade was funded by an Assistance to Firefighters Grant.
Fond du Lac: The county continues to struggle with WISCOM issues, the state is addressing the issues.
Green Lake: Status quo.

Manitowoc: Upgrading the 911 system, expected to be able to receive Text-to-911 calls in February-March 2015, upgrade is via Intrado. Questions can be directed to Bill Jones.
Outagamie: The 800 MHz system is working well. The VHF fire paging system has a few issues but are being addressed. The mobile CAD upgrade has resulted in a few issues that are being worked through.
Sheboygan: Continuing work on the system upgrade RFP, the RFP responses are due December 12, construction begins in 2015, the project completion goal is 2016. A 911 system upgrade RFP is due to be issued in January 2015.
Waushara: No changes.
Winnebago: Some CAD issues during the upgrade project, 800 MHz system is working well.

9. The WISCOM East Central Region roll call has been going well each month, thank you to Green Lake County for conducting recent tests. Results are forwarded to dispatch center directors/managers following each test. Green Lake County will conduct the roll call tests through the end of 2014. (Third Thursday at 9:00 a.m. on WISCOM RCALL31 (RTAC31) talk group.

WISCOM Program Manager Gene Oldenburg introduce himself to the group and noted the DOJ Interoperability Program team now consists of SWIC Tim Pierce, Josh Ripp, Dennis Powers, and Karlin Younger. The goals of the support team include providing Mission Critical service for the end user; improved customer service; focused support to the end users, with daily users first priority; understanding of realistic expectations based on original project goals. The first request for support must to the 1-608-2WISCOM telephone number. An issue tracking project is being implemented to ensure follow-through on all reported issues.

SW Region Interoperability Coordinator Rick Lange reported on plans for SIMCOM 2015, to be held in Oshkosh on May 5-6-7, 2015. Winnebago County will host the event and it will be held at the Sunnyview Expo Center (same site as last year). Invitations will be sent and electronic registration is required. All COML's are encouraged to attend. The Wisconsin TERT will participate. Issues from the 2014 After Action Report are being addressed. It is possible that other regions may participate remotely. It is likely the exercise will move to another WEM region in 2016.

10. There is no information on new PSAP funding or training legislation. All agencies are encouraged to monitor the Wisconsin Legislature website.
11. A multi-county communications was held on October 8, 2014. Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago counties were involved. Contact Winnebago County EM Director Linda Kollmann for more information. It was noted that more planning time was needed, but overall the exercise went well.
12. In regard to Wisconsin MABAS Communications, a discussion was held on the use of an IFERN Alert Receiver in dispatch centers.
13. Text-to-911 and NG911: no use of either program in our region at this time (see county system updates).
14. Radio paging issues in the region: see item #6.
15. Future meeting dates:
 - a. Tentative: March 12, 2015, location tbd.
 - b. Tentative: June 11, 2015, location tbd.
 - c. Tentative: September 10, 2015, location tbd.
 - d. Tentative: December 10, 2015, location tbd.
16. Motion by George Macias, second by John Lampkin to adjourn, all voting "aye." (2:30 p.m.)

1. Jeff Stauber provided an update on the status of the FirstNet Public Safety Wireless Broadband Project. A question and answer session followed.

A FirstNet tab has been added to the Wisconsin Interoperability website; a weekly blog report is posted on the main page as they are received from FirstNet.

A National Public Safety Broadband Network Subcommittee will be established by the Interoperability Council, the charter and by-laws have yet to be created.

The Wisconsin's FirstNet Initial Consultation Meeting may occur in June 2015, the exact date to be confirmed.

Regional Coordinators are available to speak to any group regarding the FirstNet project in Wisconsin.

Following the meeting a tour of the Grand Chute Fire Department was provided by Chief Tim Bantes.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Stauber

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