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Southeast Region SCIP Implementation Council

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Monday, September 14, 2015 9:00 A.M.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Determination of a Quorum

The meeting of the Southeast Regional SCIP Implementation Council was called to order at 9:07 AM by Chair Rob Robins.

Roll Call: 11 of possible 25 members were in attendance and 7 out of the 8 counties were represented for a quorum. 5 members were excused and 9 were absent.

Attending: Donna Haugom, (**Jefferson County**); Mike Blodgett (**Kenosha County**), Eric Cera (**Milwaukee County**), Eric Viel (**Milwaukee County**); Scott Ziegler (**Ozaukee County**), Rob Robins (**Racine County**); Tom Bishop (**Washington County**); Jim Gage (**Waukesha County**), Bill Selzer (**Waukesha County**), Gary Bell (**Waukesha County**); Bill Stolte, (**WEM –SE**);

For the record, others in attendance were: Peter Jafuta (**Motorola**), Gil Benn (**Kenosha County EM**), Tom Czaja (**SE Regional Interoperability Coordinator**); Ben Schliesman (SE WEM Director).

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2014

A motion was made by Gary Bell, seconded by Bill Selzer to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2015 meeting. Unanimously carried.

3. Public Comment

Peter Jafuta from Motorola announced that Baycom will be sponsoring the 2015 Technology Show and Training Camp at Lambeau Field in Green Bay on October 8, 2015. Contact Peter for an invitation.

4. Old Business

a. WISCOM UPDATE

Josh Ripp (WISCOM Program Manager) and Gene Oldenburg (Interim SWIC) were unable to attend. Tom Czaja gave a brief WISCOM update based on a RIC teleconference call on 9/10/15. Juneau County is a daily user which experienced some issues but Josh has resolved the issues. Scott Ziegler reported the WISCOM tower at Harrington Beach is physically in place, but most of the WISCOM equipment is not there. Ozaukee County equipment is installed but the microwave connection is problematic and being worked on. The proposed location for the tower at the Ozaukee County Justice Center was on wetland and the location was adjusted and received DNR approval. The contract has been signed and construction will begin soon. A WISCOM site will be installed at this tower and testing will focus on mobile coverage. There may be unofficial testing of portables.

b. WISCOM Roll Calls

Tom Czaja encouraged agencies with WISCOM radios to participate in the WISCOM roll calls throughout the State. Tom distributed a list of statewide roll calls and mentioned the Southeast Region roll call is every Wednesday at 0430, 0830 and 1830 on RCALL21 and the State EOC Roll Call is held every first Thursday of the month at 0900 on STAC8.

Tom mentioned he had problems during roll calls last week and Josh Ripp determined it was a bad repeater at Sandburg Hall (UWM) which was repaired by the State Patrol technicians.

c. CASM

Tom Czaja explained that the CASM system is used to generate ICS217A forms which are used for TICP's and used by COML's to develop ICS205 forms. Tom gave a brief demonstration of CASM and encouraged everyone to request access to the system. Tom has the form and can grant authorization. He also mentioned that Jeff Lee is in charge of the CASM program and there is a monthly Webinar for new users. Jeff also is available to do individual Webinars.

5. New Business

a. Status of funding the Regional Interoperability Coordinator Program

Tom Czaja explained the RIC program is overseen by the Department of Justice but funded under a Homeland Security grant administered through Wisconsin Emergency Management. In 2015 \$168,000 in grant funding was allocated for the program and reduced to \$110,000 in 2016. This resulted in the elimination of 3 of the 6 RIC positions in the State. Tom currently is funded for approximately 11 hours per week and in 2016 will be funded for approximately 15 hours per week but will also be responsible for the Southwest region which adds 14

counties to his region bringing the total to 22 counties. Jeff Stauber will be responsible for the East Central and West Central Regions and Andy Faust will be responsible for the Northeast and Northwest Regions.

Gene Oldenburg submitted a recommendation to Brian O'Keefe, Wisconsin DOJ Law Enforcement Services Administrator, regarding sustainability of the RIC program. Tom reported the Interoperability Program Analyst, Karlin Younger resigned her position and the position has not been filled. Tom will continue to be responsible for the FirstNet initiative in the SE Region.

b. SWIC Update

Tom Czaja announced that Tim Pierce resigned as SWIC in April and Gene Oldenburg is the Interim SWIC. DOJ is in the process of recruiting a replacement for Tim.

Tom also mentioned that 7 COML trainees attended the full scale exercise in Waukesha to complete tasks in their task book. A discussion was held regarding COML/COMT credentialing. Gene Oldenburg and Todd Lindert are currently working on a recommendation for issuing certificates of completion to the trainees.

Bill Stolte discussed a proposed agenda item which he and Racine Fire Chief Steve Hansen are proposing for the next Interoperability Council meeting. Bill and Steve are recommending that WEM oversee the COML/COMT credentialing since WEM is currently sponsoring the training. The next large scale exercise where COML/COMT's might be able to complete tasks is at General Mitchell International Airport on September 23, 2015.

Donna Haugom mentioned Jefferson County is planning a full scale exercise in 2016 where trainees may be able to complete tasks. Ben Schliesman mention the BAT16 exercise and National Guard Miles Paratus exercise will be held in 2016.

c. City of Waukesha Tornado/Crash Exercise

Tom Czaja commended design team leaders and reported everything went well. He gave a brief description of the exercise scenario. Roughly 1,000 WING soldiers plus local responders participated. Tom Czaja gave a brief synopsis of the communications component and recognized Andy Stenberg (WCC) who did a great job with the ICS 205's. The SMART response went well with 62 out 65 agencies responding.

d. Use of IFERN

Tom Czaja encouraged all fire service users to continue using IFERN for interoperability in the Southeast region. Rob Robins discussed multiple large events occurring in three counties simultaneously causing significant problems. IFERN is designated as an enroute channel, not an operations channel. IFERN2 is being recommended as an operational alternative. Racine is

trying to develop a standard operational plan for IFERN and IFERN2 and utilizing MARC as an alternative.

e. Discussion Regarding Needs of Agencies

Tom Czaja reports he will keep this on the agenda as an open forum discussion point. Rob Robins stated he heard the FCC is requiring all agencies to convert from analog to digital. No one had any specific information about this. Tom Czaja will research. P. Jafuta advised that all new radios are digital compatible.

f. Southeast Region Representative for IC LMR Subcommittee

Todd Lindert, Jefferson County Communications, volunteered to represent the SE Region on the LMR subcommittee. The other representatives are Gary Bell, WCC, 911 subcommittee and Joe Basich (Life Star Ambulance) WISCOM subcommittee.

The next IC meeting is October 20th at Portage County Sheriff's Department. The IC will meet in the morning and subcommittees will meet in the afternoon.

g. Rivada Networks FirstNet Campaign

Tom Czaja reported that Rivada networks is contacting Governors and offering cost free national public safety broadband (FirstNet) service in exchange for use of spectrum space. He showed a short video produced by Rivada regarding their campaign. Reported as a matter of information only.

6. Other Business

a. County Reports/Updates

- Jefferson County – No Report
- Kenosha County: Couple projects in the work, but nothing firm.
- Milwaukee County: Erik Viel gave a radio system update. The City of Milwaukee Board of Zoning Appeals approved plans to build two new towers and should have building permits in next couple weeks. Planning for coverage testing in the spring of 2016 or early summer.
- Ozaukee County: Scott Ziegler reported the County is moving forward with P25 digital system – phased in three year approach. Public Safety initially, then expand. It will be an independent system from Washington County, but Washington County is looking at some form of overlay and/or joint purchasing. There was discussion of OASIS system advantages. They want to have certain level of interoperability.

90% of the realignment of fire paging protocols is complete. Each PSAP will have its own VHF frequency for paging. Grafton will be last to switch over.

- Racine County: Communications upgrades are in process for repeater coverage and starting to prepare for digital conversion.
- Walworth: No report.
- Waukesha: Waukesha has a scheduled radio upgrade which should be complete by the spring of 2016. Waukesha County is in the process of soliciting RFP's for new towers. There will be a fiber redundant link to backup microwave connections. Due to the delay in the project Motorola has agreed to extend warranties for radios purchased in past years. The go live date is anticipated to be July 1st. Bill Stolte reminded everyone the WEMA Conference in October.
- WEM: No report

7. National Public Safety Wireless Broadband Network (FirstNet) Update

Tom Czaja stressed the need to complete the FirstNet data usage survey. The information is needed from local agencies so FirstNet is aware of the needs of the stakeholders and can build out the system properly. Tom thanked all the agencies who have completed the survey.

8. Upcoming Meetings/Events:

See attached list. More students are needed for the AWR-147 Rail Car Incident Response course which will be held on October 10, 2015 in Kenosha. Bill Stolte announced a CDC CERC Course at Aurora Summit Medical Center on November 6, 2015.

9. Set Next Meeting Date and Location

Next Meetings: Monday, December 7, 2015 9:00 A.M.

Location: Waukesha County Communications Center, 1621 Woodburn Road,
Waukesha, WI

Monday, March 7, 2016 9:00 A.M.

Location: Waukesha Highway Department, 1641 Woodburn Rd, Waukesha, WI

10. Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 10:50 A.M. by Donna Haugom, seconded by Mike Blodgett, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Czaja

Tom Czaja
SE Regional Interoperability Coordinator

***Upcoming Training/Exercises
SE Regional SCIP Meeting
September 14, 2015***

- 09/24/15 Full Scale Exercise – General Mitchell International Airport
0700 – 1200
Contact: Melissa Waller, Pre-Emergency Planning
608-592-2511 melissa@pre-emergency.com
- 09/24/15- Intermediate IC System for Expanding Incidents (WEM Training Portal)
09/25/15 0800 – 1700
Oak Creek Fire Department
Contact: Joseph Pulvermacher
Oak Creek Fire Department
414-570-5629
jpulvermacher@oakcreekwi.org
- 10/1/2015 Northeast Regional SCIP Implementation Council
Time and Location TBD
- 10/14/15 Southeast Wisconsin Communications Resource/Support Group
0930 – 1200
Waukesha Police Department
- 10/10/15 Rail Car Incident Response Exercise (WEM Training Portal)
Somers Fire Station Number 1
Contact: Gil Benn, Kenosha County Emergency Management
262-605-5125
Gil.Benn@kenoshacounty.org
- 10/20/15 State Interoperability Council Meeting & Subcommittee Meetings
0930-1500
Portage County Sheriff's Department Training Room, Stevens Point
- 10/21/15- Advanced ICS for Complex Incidents (WEM Training Portal)
10/22/15 0830 – 1630
Milwaukee Police & Fire Training Academy
Contact: Regina Boston-Dixon
Milwaukee Fire Department

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414-286-5289
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- 10/25/15- Wisconsin NENE/APCO Conference
10/28/15 Kalahari Resort, Wisconsin Dells
More Information can be found at <http://www.wipscom.org/>
- 11/7/15 Rail Car Response (WEM Training Portal)
0800 - 1700
North Central Technical College, Merrill, WI
Contact: Douglas Jennings
North Central Technical College
715-803-1193
jennings@ntc.edu
- 11/18/15 Northwest Regional SCIP Implementation Council
Time and Location TBD
- 12/3/15 Northeast Regional SCIP Implementation Council
Time and Location TBD
- 12/15/15 East Central Regional SCIP Implementation Council
Time and Location TBD