



## **Communications Board**

Fire and Emergency Medical Services  
Monroe County, New York

**Maggie Brooks**  
County Executive

**Tim Warth**  
Chairman

### **MONROE COUNTY FIRE/EMS COMMUNICATIONS BOARD MINUTES OF MEETING: May 17, 2012**

**ATTENDANCE:** B. Bartolick, P. Bietry, S. Bowman, J. Coates, T. Czapranski, S. DeRosa, S. Leuchtner, T. Link, T. Carson, D. Pfersick, D. Sansone, L. Vaughan, R. Zwaga, A. Sienkiewicz

**EXCUSED:** A. Smith, T. Warth

The meeting was called to order by past Chairman L. Vaughan at 5:01 PM due to time constraints. V. Chairman S. Leuchtner took over meeting at 5:28 PM.

A quorum of voting members was present.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

March meeting minutes were approved.

April meeting minutes were approved.

Per L. Vaughan thank you to Sam DeRosa for filling in for the secretary at the April meeting.

GOOD JOB SAM!

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

##### **EXISTING SYSTEM STATUS/NARROWBAND – T. Warth**

##### **FUTURE TRUNKING SYSTEM COMMITTEES – S. Leuchtner for T. Warth**

The Technical Focus Group has met several times and created a list of parameters for the Operations Focus Group to begin working. The Operations Group had a kick-off meeting last Monday (5/14) and is working to establish a list of objectives and timelines for the Fire and EMS usage of the system. The group has established a set schedule to stay on task. I will be making a presentation to the Comm Board next meeting. The topics for the June Comm Board presentations will include:

- Trunking Sub-Committee Make-up and overview
  - Technical Focus Group highlights
  - Operational Focus Group Objectives and timeline
  - Status of the project
  - Where do we go from here

Please attend this important meeting.

## **DIGITAL PAGING – R. Verdouw**

- James Dabbs was in town for the Comm. Summit.
- Response View program is almost complete.
- IAMRESPONDING will be available to agencies possibly in 2 weeks.

**\*\*PER S. BOWMAN IAMRESPONDING IS NOT AN ALERTING SYSTEM\*\***

**Q.** B. Bartolic – will county supplied chief's pagers be upgraded?

**A.** S. DeRosa/R. Verdouw – this is being worked on.

- L. Vaughan brought up CAD to cell feature, which was discussed.

## **ECD DIRECTOR'S REPORT – T. Carson**

### **EMS REPORT – T. Czapranski**

- Meeting with T. Warth regarding EMS Communications and systems next week.
- Currently doing an EMS Study which will include communications, RIO, and electronic PCR's.

### **FIRE BUREAU REPORT – S. DeRosa**

- Discussed Mutual Aid Plan Legislative Approval. Communications Manual has been added to this document.
- Communications Summit – Discussed Red Alert. Met with J. Merklinger regarding interface cable for computer equipment.
- Discussed Grant for Firefighters that Sen. Gillibrand addressed. There were a few fire service members that attended the meeting. Apologies for late notification, Fire Bureau was alerted at the last minute.

### **FIRE ADVISORY REPORT – J. Lemcke**

### **PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR – S. Bowman**

- Last Thursday held an educational meeting on the Trunking/Radio system. 60 people attended. Considering holding this type of informational meeting twice a year.
- Communications Summit was well attended by 100 people. Thank you to Brighton FD for hosting this event. In the afternoon 10-15 people visited Harris for a tour of the equipment.
- Radio System is 80% complete. Met with Harris for acceptance testing. Testing passed.

**Q.** L. Vaughan – is Consulting company working for the county or Harris?

**A.** S. Bowman – Consulting firm is working for working for Harris.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **ROCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT – M. Dobertin**

#### **BATTALION REPORTS**

##### **Batt 1 – T. Link**

- Discussed IAMRESPONDING/Response View programs and negative/positive issues with CAD.
- Met with county regarding Bay Bridge closing and impact on emergency vehicles.

##### **Batt 2 - L. Vaughan**

- Spoke about Communications Summit and mis-communications.

##### **Batt 3 - D. Sansone**

- Agencies are concerned about the trunking system.

##### **Batt 4 - J. Coates**

- 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion funding of the trunking system is progressing. Looking for 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Liaison.

##### **Batt 5 - P. Bietry**

Nothing new to report.

## **ANYTHING FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOARD**

Motion to adjourn at 5:45 PM.

**The next meeting of the Fire and EMS Communications Board is scheduled for  
Thursday June 21, 2012@ 5:00 pm in STEP Conference Room at the  
Public Safety Training Facility, 1190 Scottsville Road.**