

## SHEBOYGAN COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL MINUTES

Sheboygan County Sheriff's Office  
525 N 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sheboygan, WI  
East Conference Room

**January 15, 2020**

**Called to Order: 5:00 PM**

**Adjourned: 6:07 PM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Russ Schreiner, Bryan Olson, Jason Ebert, Steve Steinhardt, Mike Brungraber, Robert Ziegelbauer, Todd Stange for Dave Scheibl, Blaine Werner, and Eric Bushman

**ABSENT:** Dan Althaus, Chris Lewinski, Kristine DeBlaey

**ALSO PRESENT:** None

### Called to Order:

Chairman Russ Schreiner called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

### Pledge of Allegiance

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Certification of Compliance with Open Meeting Law

Steve Steinhardt certified compliance with the open meeting law. The meeting notice was posted on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 2:15 pm.

### Approval of Minutes from the October 16, 2019 Meeting

Motion by Mike Brungraber, second by Steve Steinhardt to approve the October 16, 2019 minutes. Motion carried.

### Correspondence

No correspondence reported on.

### Action on request for access to the Sheboygan County Radio system by Millipore Sigma

Motion by Steve Steinhardt, seconded by Robert Ziegelbauer to recommend to the Law Committee to give Millipore Sigma access to the Sheboygan County Radio system. They will be allowed to purchase 2 radios at their expense, pay for two licenses to the system with the fee set by the Inspector of the Sheriff's Department. Millipore Sigma will also be responsible for any costs associated with setting up the radios for the system. They will have access to a new talk group which will be established and MABAS mutual aid channels. The new talk group will also be added to radios of public safety agencies which have primary jurisdiction. Motion carried.

### Update on Mass Notification System

Steve Steinhardt updated the committee on the county purchasing a mass notification system for our citizens. Proposals have been reviewed and a vendor should be selected by the end of the month. The goal would be to go live by the end of February.

### Update on the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to study the primary and secondary EOC's communications/capabilities

Russ and George have discussed a potential cost savings solution in regard to the radios at the EOC. Instead of using a combiner for antennas they believe they could space them enough on the roof to avoid interference. Russ will be giving Steve a price quote.

### Review Radio System's Operations

Russ advised that there was a generator issue at Taylor Hill which has been fixed. George has also been out installing virus protection to some servers.

Russ will be participating in a webinar related to radio frequencies which may be available for sale to the general public. This could pose some problems and Russ will be monitoring the situation.

Steve reported on the National Guard testing MARC 2 from their aircraft. After some problems occurred with communications at the drowning event in Plymouth, the Guard returned to test. It appears it was an operator error which caused the communication glitch.

### Interoperability Update

The State Interoperability Council is floating the idea of changing frequencies when using aero medical units from MARC 2 to a direct fire ground channel. Russ, and no one present, were aware of why the change is being requested. The change would limit the ability for dispatch to communicate with aero medical units and may require the med units to have multiple radios. Russ will follow up on the issue.

### City/County IT Updates

Eric Bushman reported that the City is upgrading from windows 7 to 10.

### Update on MABAS (Mutual Aid Box Alarm System)

Blaine asked about the MABAS numbering system since the City of Sheboygan FD has started to use it.

### Public Comment

None

### Schedule Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 15th, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

### Adjourn:

Motion by Mike Brungraber, second by Bryan Olson to adjourn at 6:07 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by  
Steve Steinhardt  
For Kristine DeBlaey  
Recording Secretary

Russ Schreiner  
Chairman