SHEBOYGAN COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL MINUTES

Sheboygan County Law Enforcement Center
525 N. 6th St., Sheboygan, WI 53081
East Conference Room

October 18, 2017 **Called to Order: 5:00 PM** **Adjourned: 6:05 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Russ Schreiner, Kristy De Blaey, Vern Koch, Greg Vertelka, Steve Steinhardt, Mike Brungraber, Dave Scheibl, Blaine Werner, Ed Karsteadt

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jason Ebert, Dan Althaus, Chris Lewinski

OTHERS PRESENT: Nate Voskuil

Call To Order
Chairman Schreiner called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance
All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification of Compliance with Open Meeting Law
Kristy De Blaey certified compliance with the open meeting law. The meeting notice was posted on October 10, 2017, at 11:45 AM.

Approval of Minutes of April 19, 2017, meeting
Motion by Mike Brungraber; seconded by Vern Koch, to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2017, meeting. Motion carried with no nay votes.

Correspondence
None reported

Standard naming nomenclature for state/national interoperability channels
This was discussed and approved at the county fire chief's meeting in August. Motion by Steve Steinhardt for all radios operated regularly on the Sheboygan County radio system to follow the standard naming nomenclature on their template for state and national interoperability channels; seconded by Mike Brungraber. Motion carried with no nay votes.

Revised Radio Templates for Fire/EMS
County fire chief's approved a revised template for fire and EMS. Revised template does include standard naming nomenclature. Motion by Dave Scheibl to approve the revised template; seconded by Mike Brungraber. Motion carried with no nay votes.

Programmable Scan
Request from county fire chief's to allow programmable scan on portable radios on an "opt in" basis with the individual agencies deciding who within their agency would receive programmable scan. Motion by Steve Steinhardt to approve programmable scan with the "opt in" clause; seconded by Blaine Werner. Motion carried with no nay votes.

Update on the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to study the primary and secondary EOC's communications/capabilities
The EOC is within the scope of the ongoing building construction at the new highway department (67 & J). When construction reaches the point where a tour is possible, Steve

Steinhardt will arrange it for members of the Council. The Ad Hoc Committee has been formed. Members include Chuck Butler (Sheboygan Emergency Management), Steve Steinhardt (county Emergency Management), Sheboygan City and Sheboygan County IT personnel, and Russ Schreiner.

Discussion on the work/testing being performed on the paging system

No complaints have been received recently. Blaine Werner reported being in the Oostburg Ambulance station recently and did not receive a page. Russ Schreiner said there has been little time for any local testing due to ongoing radio training for him and George Macias. Mike Brungraber reported some "out of range" signals for his new digital pager while inside their station. Members were reminded to report problems via email to Steve Steinhardt and Kristy De Blaey.

Review radio system's operations

The system is still under warranty for about one month. No major issues have been reported, though there have been some subscriber radio problems. The new system has an alarm system that notifies proper personnel of outages. It also has generator and UPS back-ups. It is a very redundant system.

Interoperability update

Russ Schreiner reported that as of October 16th the Interoperability Council and its sub-committees are under the Department of Military Affairs. Russ also said he had a letter of support from Chief Mike Romas to Governor Walker on behalf of the State Fire Chief's Association in support of Wisconsin "opting in" to FirstNet. There was discussion of IFERN2, Ozaukee and Washington's radio systems, and interoperability with Manitowoc.

Status on laptop/mobile data computer project

Kristy De Blaey, on behalf of Chris Lewinsky, reported there was no update on the project. Chris hopes to have an update at the next Council meeting.

Radio Project System Update

Russ Schreiner reported that he and George Macias are still going through radio training. The warranty is done at the end of December (approximately). They are now discussing software support and future upgrades the county will get.

MABAS Update

None

Public Comment

It was reported that Calumet County did an outstanding job with their MABAS fire in New Holstein recently. There was discussion about Pulse Point. Russ Schreiner reported the city of Sheboygan is working to install a new siren system. At this time it was informational only.

Scheduled Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for January 17, 2018, at 5:00 pm.

Adjourn

Motion by Steve Steinhardt; second by Mike Brungraber, to adjourn at 6:05 pm. Motion carried with no nay votes.

Submitted by Kristy De Blaey
Recording Secretary

Russ Schreiner
Chairman