Michigan Public Safety Frequency Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes March 8, 2012 St. Johns, MI

Member Attendance

Member	Affiliation	Present	Excused	Absent
Keith Bradshaw – Chairperson	MI APCO- Frequency Advisor	Χ		
Dale Berry – Vice Chairperson	MI Association of Ambulances	X		
Patricia Coates – Secretary	MI APCO	X		
·	MI APCO-Alternate Frequency Advis	sor		
Laura Peeples	MI Sheriff's Association			Χ
Dan Robinson	State of MI – DNR	X		
Thomas Briggs	MI Department of Transportation	X		
Steve DeWitt	MI Association of Chiefs of Police	X		
Mark Jongekrijg	MI APCO		X	
Jim Fyvie	MI APCO	X		
Rick Martin	State of MI – MSP	X		
Kasey Mlujeak	State of MI – Corrections	X		
Bill Nelson	MI Association of Fire Chiefs	X		
Joe Turner	MI Municipal League		X	
Kathy Vosburg	MI Association of Counties		X	
Mark Sandberg	State of MI - MPSCS	Χ		

Other Attendees

Brent Williams State of MI – Community Health

Catherine Henning State of MI - MPSCS

Karl Beckman Motorola

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Berry at 10:12 AM

II. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves.

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Robinson, supported by Briggs to approve the agenda as drafted. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes of the January 12, 2012 meeting. IV.

Motion by DeWitt, supported by Fyvie, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Applications

Old Applications A.

Washtenaw County Jail 1.

Mr. Bradshaw stated that the applicant has still not provided contours nor answers to the questions the Committee presented. **Motion** by Coates, supported by Sandberg, to table the application until the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Other

No other old applications

B. New Applications

1. State of MI – 868.5875 at St Ignace site

Mr. Bradshaw recommended approval. **Motion** by Fyvie, supported by Coates. Motion carried unanimously, with Sandberg abstaining.

2. State of MI - 867.7125 at Stanton site

Mr. Bradshaw recommended approval. **Motion** by Martin, supported by Mlujeak, to approve. Motion carried unanimously, with Sandberg abstaining.

3. State of MI – 868.5500 at Big Rapids site

Mr. Bradshaw stated that this application is for grade of service and recommended approval. **Motion** by Coates, supported by Robinson, to approve. Motion carried unanimously, with Sandberg abstaining.

4. State of MI – 867.5875 at Boon site

Mr. Bradshaw explained that this is a grade of service issue and the contours are clear. **Motion** by Martin, supported by Briggs, to approve Motion carried unanimously, with Sandberg abstaining.

5. State of MI – 868.1625 at Northville site, 868.9500 at Romeo site and 866.6750 at Saginaw simulcast

These applications are a series of channel moves, plus one new channel, and only potentially interfere with the MPSCS itself, but on adjacent channels only. Mr. Bradshaw discussed the 12.5 offset of NPSPAC adjacent channels as a non-issue in modern digital systems, but were relevant under the original NPSPAC rules, when systems were wide band analog. This should be addressed in the Plan rewrite, as it may become an issue again under P25. Mr. Bradshaw recommended approval. **Motion** by Fyvie, supported by Martin, to approve. Motion carried unanimously, with Sandberg abstaining.

6. Other

No other new applications. Ms. Coates inquired about the MPSCS application from the last meeting, under which an application was approved pending ascertainment from the City of Pontiac that they were no longer using it. The MPSCS advised that Chief Nelson had contacted Pontiac, and the channel is not in use. Mr. Bradshaw advised that the applicant may be required by the FCC to obtain an actual letter form Pontiac confirming this.

VI. Subcommittee Reports

A. Interoperable Communication Subcommittee No report.

B. Engineering/Technical Subcommittee

The section on 12.5 offset for adjacent channels needs to be updated. Mr. Beckmand will provide suggested language.

C. Writing Subcommittee

Mr. Fyvie had staff review the document for grammatical errors, and will provide Mr. Bradshaw with a redlined copy. Upon a discussion of the matrices for competing applications, the consensus was to keep them.

VII. Old Business

A. None

VIII. New Business

A. Other

- Mr. Bradshaw advised the Committee that the Downriver Mutual Aid group is updating their 17 NPSPAC channel system, and the successful bid was EADS/Cassidian. They may need to relicense, mr. Beckman offered to find a contact.
- 2. WQNG340, Lenawee County, is about to be cancelled. Mr. Williams will notify them.
- 3. No other new business

VIII. Next Meeting Date.

The next meeting will be May 3, 2012 in Clinton County at 10 A.M. in conjunction with a 700 MHz RPC meeting immediately following.

IX. Adjournment

Motion by Fyvie, supported by Briggs, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 A.M. by Vice-Chairman Berry.