Michigan Public Safety Frequency Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes September 28, 2012 Tustin, MI

Member Attendance

Member	Affiliation	Present	Excused	Absent
Keith Bradshaw – Chairperson	MI APCO- Frequency Advisor		X	
Dale Berry – Vice Chairperson	MI Association of Ambulances		Χ	
Patricia Coates – Secretary	MI APCO	Χ		
Brent Williams	MI APCO-Alternate Frequency Advise	or X		
Mel Maier	MI Sheriff's Association	Χ		
Dan Robinson	State of MI – DNR	Χ		
Thomas Briggs	MI Department of Transportation	Χ		
Steve DeWitt	MI Association of Chiefs of Police		X	
Mark Jongekrijg	MI APCO		Χ	
Jim Fyvie	MI APCO	Χ		
Rick Martin	State of MI – MSP		Χ	
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	
Catherine Henning	State of MI - MPSCS		X	

Other Attendees

Rich Rybicki State of MI – Retired

Josh McConkiej Michigan Public Service Commission

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Coates at 9:05 AM

II. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves.

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Fyvie, supported by Robinson, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion by Robinson, supported by Briggs, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

V. Applications

- A. Old Applications
 - 1. None

B. New Applications

1. None

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VI. Subcommittee Reports

A. Re-opening the 800 MHz Region 21 Plan

This will occur at the next meeting

B. Interoperable Communication Subcommittee

No Report

B. Engineering/Technical Subcommittee

No report.

C. Writing Subcommittee

The Committee agreed by consensus that this Ad Hoc subcommittee has completed its goal and may be dissolved

VII. Old Business

A. Narrowbanding

VIII. New Business

A. Local Advisor's Report

Mr. Bradshaw advised the Committee that Comstudy will no longer be used by APCO, replaced by Spectrum E, a web based program that includes frequency nomination functions. -118 dBm will now be accepted by Canada. There are also new coordination criteria for VHF: 7.5k was formally used for co-channels and 15k for adjacent.. The new rules ignore 15k and use 7.5 as adjacent. There is also a change to the edge of the service contours. The end result is that users will now hear other users

B. SWIEC

Mr. Bradshaw advised that the Interop Emergency grant program expires next year, and urged committee members to contact their legislators. The MPSCS will be reprogramming radios in June and July of 2012 for rebanding, and is expected to take approximately one year. The State negotiated a \$50 per radio reimbursement to the users for their time. Due to the future D block build out, CHASM needs to be updated to list all towers, tall buildings, etc. the SCIP Plan is not done, as it awaits the executive order. The State did not receive a waiver for 700 MHz. Mr. Fyvie advised that there is also legislation pending to allow the State to lease space on its towers.

C. MSA Representative

Laura Peoples has requested that she be relieved from duties as the MSA representative on the Committee. Ms. Coates will contact the MSA for a replacement. Al Eichenberg was suggested as a possible replacement, as he is now a reserve deputy in Jackson County.

D. Other

No other new business

VIII. Next Meeting Date.

The next meeting will be September 28, 2012 at 9 AM at the Kettenun Center in Tustin, MI, in conjunction with the Michigan APCO Fall Conference.

IX. Adjournment

Motion by Robinson, supported by Nelson, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1102 A.M. by Chairman Bradshaw.