

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		X	
Patricia Coates – Secretary	MI APCO	X		
Brent Williams	MI APCO-Alternate Frequency Advisor	X		
Mel Maier	MI Sheriff's Association	X		
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	
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. Ms. Coates introduced Mel Maier as the representative of the Michigan Sheriff Association, and acknowledged Brent Williams as the Alternate Frequency Advisor and member of the Committee.

**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. Narrow Banding**

The Committee discussed general reduction in coverage licensee are experiencing due to narrow banding. Mr. Williams advised that older field units for EMS are having difficulty with the narrow band. Mr. Briggs stated that MDOT's greatest issue was the equipment at the international bridge in Sault Ste. Marie. Mr. Fyvie discussed the value of a pre-narrow band baseline study of coverage.

**B. Rebanding**

Mr. Robinson stated that the MPSCS has begun the field unit process, but have called a temporary halt while scheduling issues are resolved. He anticipates the entire process will take one year. Ms. Coates advised that Oakland had agreed to an FRA, but cannot determine a schedule, as other licensees need to re-band first.

**VIII. New Business**

**A. Other**

No other new business

**VIII. Next Meeting Date.**

The next meeting will be October 25, 2012 at 10 AM at Zehnder's in Frankenmuth, MI, in conjunction with the Michigan APCO Annual meeting.

**IX. Adjournment**

**Motion** by Robinson, supported by Briggs, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 A.M. by Ms. Coates.