

Michigan Public Safety Frequency Advisory Committee
 Meeting Minutes
 September 27, 2013
 Kettenun Center, 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	
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		X	
Catherine Henning	State of MI – MPSCS (Alt)		X	

Other Attendees

Karl Beckman	Motorola
Jeff Troyer	MI APCO/Calhoun County Central Dispatch
Rich Rybicki	State of MI – Retired
Ralph Liddle	State of MI - MPSCS

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bradshaw at 9:04 AM

II. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves.

III. Approval of Agenda

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

IV. Approval of the Minutes of the August 1, 1013 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. **Wayne County**

The application is for five channels (853.2875, 851.8255, 852.7875, 852.3, 851.7125) at a new site on the simulcast system. As the channels deviate from the sort, concurrence from Ohio is required and has been obtained by the applicant. Mr. Bradshaw recommends approval. **Motion** by Coates, supported by Robinson, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

2. **No other new applications**

VI. Subcommittee Reports

A. Interoperable Communication Subcommittee

No Report.

B. Engineering/Technical Subcommittee

No report.

C. Plan Revision Standing Committee

Mr. Bradshaw discussed the amendment to the Plan for inter-regional coordination, considered by the FCC to be an “administrative correction”.

VII. Old Business

A. Compilation of Minutes

Ms. Coates continues to compile early minutes, and Mr. Beckman supplied copies of several.

B. Web Site

Mr. Maier has successfully logged into the site and has updated the membership roster.

C. Other

No Other Old Business

VIII. New Business

A. FCC Dockets 13-209, 13-121 and 13-177

The FCC has requested input on a proposal by Power Trunk to deploy a TETRA system for New Jersey Transit in the 460, 150 and 800 bands. They request that a “low pass filter” be allowed to make them compliant with emissions mask B for analog rather than H for digital in NPSPAC. The Committee discussed the impact on local coordination, tempered by a concern that new technologies that might benefit public entities at lower cost should be allowed. The Engineering/Technical Committee will be asked for suggestions at the next meeting.

The FCC is also requesting comments on a request from Pyramid for six channels in 173 MHz for VRS repeaters. The channels are currently business/industrial but are also used by public entities for SCADA and highway weather. The Committee discussed whether the proposed error correction is robust enough to mediate possible interference. This will also be discussed at the next meeting.

B. Interleave Channels

Sprint is vacating some channels. Public safety will have three years to apply, then channels will revert to the general pool. This is a non-issue in Region 21, as there are no interleaves vacated.

C. Election of Officers

The Chair requested that election of officers be added to the October agenda.

D. Other

No other new business

VIII. Next Meeting Date.

The next meeting will be in Frankenmuth on October 24th at 10 AM.

IX. Adjournment

Motion by Briggs, supported by Maier, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 10:37 AM.