

MPSFAC
800 MHz Region 21 Regional Planning Committee
July 14, 2022
Monitor Township Fire, Bay City, MI

Member	Affiliation	Present	Excused	Absent
Bradshaw-Chairperson	MIAPCO-Frequency Coordinator	X		
Dale Berry – Vice Chairperson	MI Association of Ambulances	X		
Patricia Coates - Secretary	MIAPCO	X		
Brent Williams	MIAPCO –Frequency Coordinator	X		
Lt. Dan Zdybek	MI Sheriff’s Association	X		
Lt. Jen Wolf	State of MI – DNR		X	
Dominique Clemente	State of MI – DNR (Alt)	X		
Todd Tolbert	MI Department of Transportation	X		
Robert Ciupka	MI Department of Transportation (Alt)		X	
Chief Dale Greenleaf	MI Association of Chiefs of Police		X	
Francis Dhuyvetter	MI APCO (alt)		X	
Eric Hutchinson	MI APCO	X		
Christine Collom	MI APCO (Alt)		X	
Scott Schlehuber	State of MI – MSP		X	
Kasey Mlujeak	State of MI – Corrections	X		
Chuck Cribley	MI Association of Fire Chiefs	X		
Adam Carroll	MI Association of Fire Chiefs (Alt)		X	
Joe Turner	MI Municipal League	X		
Roger Morgan	MI Association of Counties			X
Greg Farrer	State of MI – MPSCS	X		
Jerry Ellsworth	State of MI – MDHHS-BETP		X	
Vance Stringham	MI APCO		X	
Other Attendees				
Michael White	State of MI - MPSCS			

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bradshaw 10:15 a.m.

II. Introductions

Members and attendees introduced themselves

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Berry, supported by Mlujeak, to approve the agenda as presented, correcting the date.
 Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes of the May 12, 2022 800 MHz RPC meeting

Motion by Berry, supported by Clemente, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously..

V. Correspondence

A. Ms. Coates read a letter from the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs in support of retaining 4.9 GHZ for public safety.

VI. Applications

A. **Old Applications**

None

B. **New Applications**

1. State of MI – Alpena

Mr. White explained that the application is for a new 180' site for in building coverage in the City of Alpena. Mr. Bradshaw stated that the contours are clear. **Motion** by Cribley, supported by Zdybek, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

2. State of MI – Deward

Mr. White explained that this application is identical to the one for Grayling, for GOS. And that both have co-channels well within 70 miles, but no interference is expected. **Motion** by Williams, supported by Zdybek, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

3. State of MI – Grayling

This application was explained in conjunction with the previous one. **Motion** by Berry, supported by Hutchinson, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Branch County control station

Mr. Bradshaw explained that this application was entered in CAPRAD with little information. Initially the request was for receive only, but now indicates full interoperability with Steuben County, Indiana. No contours were provided, and the applicant will need LOCs from Steuben County, MPSCS, and MPSFAC approval. **Motion** by Farrer, supported by Williams, to table the application pending LOCs and contours. Motion carried unanimously.

5. State of MI – Escanaba and Menominee

Mr. Farrer stated that the application is for additional frequencies to maintain GOS, as Menominee is adding fire to the system. A LOC has been requested from Wisconsin but not received. **Motion** by Berry, supported by Clemente, to table both applications pending receipt of the LOCs from Region 45. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. .800MHz Subcommittee Reports

A. Interoperable Communication Subcommittee

Mr. Bradshaw advised that the Oakland simulcast will be on the air next year, with coverage testing in March of 2023.

B. Engineering/Technical Subcommittee

Mr. Farrer stated that the MPSCS is doing a system upgrade by zone, core RF site software, and PSAPs.

C. 800 MHz Plan Update Standing Subcommittee

Mr. Bradshaw sees no need for revisions at this time

VIII. Old Business

No report.

A. 4.9 GHz

Ms. Coates reviewed a spreadsheet of public safety utilizing 4.9 spectrum for many purposes, including helicopter video downloads, citywide camera system, tornado sirens, and point to point connectivity between PSAPs and the MPSCS. The sample letter from Region 9 opposing the auction of these frequencies to commercial users was distributed. Mr. Turner stated that the Region 21 letter must emphasize the danger to the public. Mr. Bradshaw will create a draft response for the next meeting.

B. Other

IX. New Business

A. FCC Request

Mr. Williams advised that the FCC is requesting input from the Regional Committees on the prospect of returning to five year licenses.

B. Mr. Berry discussed the Uvalde shooting and the contributing factors of a lack of interoperable radios and of incident command.

X. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be September 8, 2022 in Ann Arbor

X. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by the Chair, at 11:29 AM.

