



MEETING MINUTES for

Kalamazoo County Consolidated Dispatch Authority TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE March 2, 2022 – Regular Meeting

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Chief Bryan Ergang at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, in the Chief Switalski Meeting Room at Kalamazoo County Consolidated Dispatch Authority, 7040 Stadium Drive, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

ITEM 2 –ROLL CALL

Members Present: Matt Huber (KDPS), Bryan Ergang (KTPD), Nick Arnold (PDPS), Jeff Christiansen (KCSO); Scott Merlo (WMUPD), Craig Dieringer (KCMCA), Jerry Leudecking (KCFCA)

Others Present: Torie Rose, Jon Moored, Marty Ftacek, Steve Stryd, Jeff Heppler

ITEM 3 - APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. January 5 – Regular Meeting

“Motion by Mr. Merlo, second by Mr. Arnold to approve the January 5, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.”

On a voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

ITEM 4 – CITIZEN’S TIME

There were no citizen comments.

ITEM 5 - FOR CONSIDERATION

A. Administrative Monthly Report

Ms. Rose stated the monthly reports are not yet completed. She advised Mr. Troyer will distribute the monthly administrative report electronically when it was completed.

B. Old Business

1. MPSCS Kalamazoo Subsystem Project Update

Ms. Rose gave an update regarding the Public Safety Radio Communication Expansion Project. Ms. Rose stated KCCDA closed on the purchase of the WMU BTR site property on February 17th. The other 3 sites (Augusta, Oshtemo, Portage) have the following work completed or scheduled:

- Shelter and Generator are set
- Tower is fully erected, and antennas are being installed
- Waiting on Electric and Gas Service at the site (requested 60 days ago)

Project is progressing as it should and is still on track to be completed at the targeted date.

2. Talk groups

Ms. Rose stated Director Troyer sent out a document in the TAC packet that referenced "Talkgroup Optimization." He also included a list of all talkgroups in Kalamazoo County. Mr. Rose stated Director Troyer is asking each agency to look at the list of talkgroups and start thinking about if there are any talkgroups that would need to be broadcasted outside of Kalamazoo County. The MPSCS is restructuring the talkgroups in the State and this is part of that restructuring. Ms. Rose stated this is for informational purposes only at this time. Director Troyer will be sending out an email to all the agencies detailing what is needed and a deadline so a county wide list can be compiled prior to the next TAC meeting.

C. New Business

1. Emergency Management Request to patch 39COM & Countywide VHF

Ms. Rose stated Emergency Management has replaced a repeater at Borgess Hospital. Because of this they would like to patch 39COM & Countywide VHF. Ms. Rose stated that discussions have been had at both the Fire and Law Comm Ops Groups and neither group had an opposition to it. Ms. Rose stated KCCDA was looking for a vote from this group so a formal response could be given to Emergency Management. Some further discussion was had.

"Motion by Mr. Arnold, second by Mr. Huber to approve the request by Emergency Management to patch 39COM & Countywide VHF."

On a voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Statewide Tornado Drill – March 23, 2022

Ms. Rose stated this was just a reminder the Statewide Tornado Drill is occurring on March 23, 2022 at 1pm. KCCDA will participate and will activate any sirens we have the ability to activate. Ms. Rose stated KCCDA will utilize social media to inform the public and encouraged all agencies to do the same.

3. Update on Crew Force, CAD Web Viewer, and time intervals for call transfers with EMS Agencies

Ms. Rose stated she received a request from Craig Dieringer to update the group on Crew Force, CAD Web Viewer, and time intervals for call transfers with the EMS agencies. Ms. Rose stated Crew Force has been deployed at Pride Care, however, they are not currently using it yet. There have discussions with Life EMS to install a Crew Force license with them. Both Life EMS and Pride Care have access to CAD Web Viewer. Pride Care utilizes it on every call. Life EMS does not have it at every position, so we are unsure if they are using it at all. Ms. Rose stated KCCDA is working with the phone vendor to find a solution to the time interval reporting. Indigital believes they have a solution, so KCCDA is working with them to find a time to test the solution before rolling it out to all positions within the center.

ITEM 6 – OTHER ITEMS

A. Announcements and Member Comments

1. Agency Round Table - None

2. Next Meeting

The next Technical Advisory Board meeting will be Wednesday, May 5, 2022 at 10am, and will be held in the Chief Switalski Meeting Room at KCCDA, 7040 Stadium Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49009.

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.