



BUTLER REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

800 MHz ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 26, 2023

LOCATION Butler County EOC

Meeting called to order by Chief John Jones @ 1:34

BOARD MEMBERS						
	Sheriff's Office	Capt. M. Franke	P	Commissioners	Ms. J. Boyko	E
	Fire Chief's Assn.	Chief T. Eickelberger	P	Chiefs of Police Assn.	Chief J. Jones	P
	Engineer's	Mr. S. Bressler	A			
Communications Representatives	West Chester	Director D. Dick	P	Butler County	Lt. T. Langmeyer	P
	Hamilton	Capt. T. Chenoweth	A	Oxford	Chief J. Detherage	A
	Middletown	Major E. Crank	A	Fairfield	Manager J. Meyer	P
	Trenton	Lt. D. Rosenfelder	P	Monroe	Mgr. M. McKinney	P

ACTING BOARD

MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to accept the minutes from the meeting on: July 27, 2023 1st. DD 2nd. DF **PASSED**

BRICS SYSTEM UPDATES

- Capt. Franke / Dir. K. Carpenter
 - Presented by Mgr. Brian Stiens
 - BS-PTT's coincide with last year's numbers, no busys. KC-Numbers are coming up
 - BS-21 radios sent to depot YTD, currently 4 out for repair. MF-Are radios that we send able to be fixed? BS-Yes. Discussion of radio swap with KC
 - BS-Financial, a little over \$2700 in open invoices, not including recent TSD purchase.
 - BS-XT series, notification bulletin was sent to subscribers about July 1, 2025 cutoff. List of agencies still using XT series was presented. JJ-Any feedback from users? KC-Had three ask about upgrade, showed tech bulletins from the past, users should have been aware. Brief discussion followed.
 - BS-System Updates, LED upgrades & HVAC replacement progress and schedule discussed

SECRETARY UPDATES

- Paul Weddle
 - PW-Ryan Burke no longer with Christ Hospital, interim in his place is Bob Barnett. Introduced Ron Hutchinson from Christ Hospital for Hospital/HEMS
 - JJ-Ryan was representing Hospital Committee? PW-Yes
 - JJ-Asks Ron if he will be representing on that committee. RH-Yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **PSAP**, Dir. D. Dick
 - DD-PSAP Committee met, had police & fire chief's at meeting. Discussed use of Ch 16 (Pursuit 16) & making it a common talk group across Law & Fire (act like a TAC). Use for fire & law entering a warm or hot zone and rescue taskforces. MF-Asks about purpose, sounds like TACs already.
 - DD-Have it in A Zone, benefits Law as they don't change Zones as often as Fire. Discussion follows.
 - JJ-For active situations. This is start of discussions, need to get communications involved. Lengthy discussion follows among members.
 - DD-PSAP also discussed ACB and continued push to use them. MF-Consoles checked and are set for ACB.

- **LE**, Chief Jones
 - Nothing to report, most was covered under PSAP report.
- **FIRE**, Chief Eickelberger
 - Nothing to report
- **PLAIN TALK**,
 - N/A
- **SUBSCRIBER FUNDING/ STRATEGIC PLANNING**, Chief Eickelberger
 - Nothing to Report
- **HOSPITAL/HEMS**,
 - Ron Hutchinson introduce himself to advisory board.
 - MF-Asks to be included in hospital group meetings. Discussion of hospital use of radios, ER alerting, etc.

OLD BUSINESS

- KC-Previous requests about training documentation. Video training series has started for radios.

NEW BUSINESS

- JJ-Issue with APX 4000 after PM. Hearing channel grab tone when keying up. Any update for solution yet?
- PW-At Motorola software engineer level. Discussion of APX 4000 issue among members.
- JM-Asks about weather radio re-broadcast over school radios. Discussion follows. JJ-TSD radios, explains usage and interface with public safety as part of alerting for schools & school radios

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- JJ-New meeting schedule and dates. Moved to quarterly meetings.
- MF-Establish months and days. Does current days and times still work? New days or times needed? Discussion follows. January, April, July & October, same day and time. The next meeting is January 25, 2024.
- DR-Discusses recent training issue, an agency was on a LAW channel instead of a Training channel. Discussion of issue among members. MF-Discusses Training Zone in radios and agencies requesting 205's. KC-Lots of agencies are unaware of Training Zone and usage. May include it in video trainings.
- DR-Asks JJ to bring up Training Zone at their next police chief's meeting. JJ-Will bring it up.
- MF, DD discuss use of 205's and training.

Adjournment - Motion to close the meeting by DR, 2nd by DD at 2:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul R. Weddle

Secretary