

Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Subcommittee

THURSDAY JANUARY 22, 2020
12:30 PM

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
2400 WRIGHT STREET, MADISON, WI
ROOM 230

MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting convened at 12:31 PM.
2. Quorum was established with 10/13 members attending. Present in person: Carl Guse, Todd Lindert (arrived late), and James Westover. Present via teleconference: Frank Hanousek, Jim Hoffman, Jim Jarvis, Ken Kortenhof, Russell Schreiner, Paul Susienka, Marie Treazise, and Randy Williams.

Members absent: Jon Yaskal.

3. Meeting Minutes
 - A. Review and approval of the November 14, 2019 meeting minutes.

Motion to approve meeting minutes by Guse. Seconded by Kortenhof. Unanimous approval.

4. Public Comment – There was no public comment.

5. Old Business

- A. Update on Air Ground Medical LZ Coordination and MABAS's approval

1. Westover shared that he and Josh Ripp met with the MABAS Communications Board on 11/16/2019 to discuss the proposed channels of Fireground GRAY/8TACGRAY as the primary channel and Fireground BLACK/8TACBLACK as the secondary channel for LZ coordination.
 - MABAS has some concerns about MABAS/the fire service community having those channels in their radio. They're also concerned about a timeline for implementation, but Westover assured them this won't be implemented quickly.
 - During that meeting there was also discussion about the MABAS rule to use those channels on low power. There was consensus amongst the group that those rules should be viewed as a recommendation only.
 - Westover is still waiting to receive MABAS' written notice of approval.
2. Additional discussion on air medical and dispatch channels.

- B. Review and Possible Approval of COMU WG Recommended Recognition Candidates

1. Brett Frierhood, Communications Technician (COMT)

Motion to approve Brett Frierhood for COMT recognition made by Lindert. Seconded by Guse. Unanimous approval.

2. Brad Schlosstein, Communications Technician (COMT)

Motion to approve Brad Schlosstein for COMT recognition made by Lindert. Seconded by Guse. Unanimous approval.

3. Joe Massie, Communications Unit Leader (COML)

Motion to conditionally approve Joe Massie for COML recognition, pending the agency's sign off and final evaluator sign off, made by Guse. Seconded by Lindert. Unanimous approval.

C. LMR Subcommittee Membership

1. Annual Election of Chair and Vice Chair

- Lindert nominated James Westover for Chair of the LMR Subcommittee.

Motion to approve James Westover as Chair of the LMR Subcommittee made by Lindert. Seconded by Susienka. Unanimous approval.

- Westover nominated Todd Lindert for Vice Chair of the LMR Subcommittee.

Motion to approve Todd Lindert as Vice Chair of the LMR Subcommittee made by Guse. Seconded by Hoffman. Unanimous approval.

2. Review of LMR Subcommittee Nominees

- The Subcommittee reviewed the nominees for the following seats:
 - (i) State EMS Communications Coordinator (or their designee)
 1. Paul Eaton was the only candidate that applied, and he was not qualified.
 - (ii) East Central Region Representative
 1. Joe Massie was the only candidate to apply. The subcommittee had no objection to the nominee being recommended for confirmation by the Interoperability Council.
 - (iii) WI Dept of Justice Representative
 1. Taylor Holum was the only candidate to apply. The subcommittee had no objection to the nominee being recommended for confirmation by the Interoperability Council.
 - (iv) Local Fire Service (volunteer or full-time) Representative
 1. There were three candidates to apply for this seat:
 - a. Thomas Heenan
 - b. Tucker McCumber
 - c. Jamie Formea
 2. Jamie Formea withdrew his application. After discussion, the subcommittee recommended Tucker McCumber for confirmation by the Interoperability Council, with the understanding that Westover would check his professional references.

6. New Business

A. WECS Review

1. Molly Boss shared that the LMR Subcommittee has 2020 goals and tactics as part of the 2019 Wisconsin Emergency Communications Strategy. The tactics will be added as a standing agenda item for future meetings.

B. Review and Possible Approval of COMU WG Operating Procedures – Tabled for the next meeting as it was not approved at the January 17, 2020 COMU Workgroup meeting.

7. Next Meeting Date: March 25th, 2020, Location TBD.
8. Meeting adjourned at 1:19 PM

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Lindert. Seconded by Guse. Unanimous approval.

Respectfully Submitted,
Meredith Hauge
DMA/OEC