# WISCONSIN INTEROPERABILITY

**SEAMLESS STATEWIDE** **PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

## WISCONSIN INTEROPERABILITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020
12:30PM

### WEB & TELECONFERENCE ONLY

### MEETING MINUTES

1. Chair Matt Joski called the meeting to order at 12:30pm.

2. Quorum was established with 7/12 members present. Present via teleconference: Anthony Burrell, David Cagigal, Jamie Formea, Steve Hansen, Matt Joski, Michael Warnke, and Michael Woodzicka.

   Members absent: Chris DeRemer, Kirk Gunderson, Sean Marschke, Christine Westrich, and Darrell Williams.

3. Review and Approval of February 6, 2020 Meeting Minutes
   A. Formea presented a revision to item 4.B.1.

*Motion to approve the February 6, 2020 Meeting Minutes with the proposed amendment by Cagigal. Seconded by Hansen.  Unanimous approval.*

4. IC and Subcommittee Membership Updates
   A. Review and Possible Action to Approve Subcommittee Applicants
      1) LMR Subcommittee
         a. Region 45 700/800 MHz Group Representative
            • Russell Schreiner
         b. Region 54 700/800 MHz Group Representative
            • Carl Guse
         c. State Frequency Coordinator
            • Jim Westover
         d. Northeast Region Representative
            • Ken Kortenhof
         e. Northwest Region Representative
            • Paul Susienka
         f. Southeast Region Representative
            • Todd Lindert
         g. Southwest Region Representative
            • Jon Yaskal
         h. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Representative
            • Tim Lizotte

*Motion to approve all eligible candidates for the LMR Subcommittee by Hansen.  Seconded by Cagigal. Unanimous approval.*

      2) WISCOM Subcommittee

    a. Northeast Region Representative
- David Gribble

*Motion to approve David Gribble as the Northeast Region Representative by Cagigal. Seconded by Hansen. Unanimous approval.*

    b. Northwest Representative (two seats available)
- Keith Kesler
- Jan Victorson
- Paul Brooten

*Motion to approve Keith Kesler and Jan Victorson as Northwest Region Representatives since they represent counties that are daily WISCOM users by Warnke. Seconded by Formea. Unanimous approval.*

    c. Southeast Representative
- Joseph Baasch

*Motion to approve Joseph Baasch as the Southeast Region Representative by Cagigal. Seconded by Hansen. Unanimous approval.*

    d. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Representative
- Jennifer Lord

*Motion to approve Jennifer Lord as the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Representative by Cagigal. Seconded by Hansen. Unanimous approval.*

    e. Wisconsin Department of Health Services Representative
- Darren Chappuies

*Motion to approve Darren Chappuies as the Wisconsin Department of Health Services Representative by Cagigal. Seconded by Formea. Unanimous approval.*

    f. Wisconsin Department of Corrections Representative
- Gary McClelland

*Motion to approve Gary McClelland as the Wisconsin Department of Corrections Representative by Cagigal. Seconded by Burrell. Unanimous approval.*

3) NPSBN Subcommittee
    a. Fire Service – Career Agency Representative
- Victor Voss

    b. Wisconsin Department of Admin./Division of Enterprise Technology Representative
- Connie Bandt

    c. Wisconsin Public Service Commission Representative
- Jaron McCallum

    d. Professional Public Safety Communications Association Representative
- Kevin Fosso

    e. Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs Representative
- Paul Hughes

      f.   Individual with Experience/Expertise in Wireless Broadband
- Gerry Klein

*Motion to approve all eligible candidates for the NPSBN Subcommittee by Formea. Seconded by Cagigal. Unanimous approval.*

    B.  Review and Possible Action on Vacancies
        1)    Molly Boss clarified that existing subcommittee member's seats would be included in the vacancies unless the Council acted otherwise.

*Motion to open the subcommittee vacancies for recruitment by Formea. Seconded by Hansen. Unanimous approval.*

5.  Public Comment – There was no public comment.

6.  Old Business
    A.  WISCOM Update
        1)    DOT Report – *Anthony Burrell*
            a.   Wisconsin State Patrol communications technicians are ready to respond to WISCOM outages during the pandemic.
            b.   Wisconsin State Patrol is configuring the Rubicon site as a redundant dispatch location to use in the event the pandemic impacts other communication centers throughout the state.
        2)    DMA Report – *Heather Harris-Fatty*
            a.   In February of 2020, the number of total push-to-talks on the system was 2,017,779 with airtime totaling 6,972,488 seconds. The number of busies was 6,995, which equates to 0.003 busies per push-to-talk. The number of talk groups in the system is 2,420; out of that number, 522 had actual airtime in February.
- Erik Viel provided a brief summary of initial findings from WISCOM daily user group meetings which were held to inform daily users of the strategy and process for the WISCOM RFP.

            b.   Issue with Brown County ISSI Connection
- DOT technical support staff worked with BAYCOM in Green Bay to resolve this issue. The issue was on the Brown County side of the connection due to their firewall. All traffic is again passing between the two systems.

            c.   18.1.4 NMS Software Update
- TSNI Updates: All have been completed across state.
- AGW Updates: All have been completed across state except for Tomah, DeForest, and Dodgeville.
- MRGW Updates: Updates have been suspended until the 19.0 software release.

            d.   WISCOM Agreement Workgroup
- Meeting was canceled and will be rescheduled at a later date.

            e.   NMS went offline on March 16, 2020
- The software that is designed to recognize only one IP address for the NMS caused the malfunction. The NMS was manually rebooted at DeForest and the issue was resolved.

            f.   Juneau County
- They are still waiting for the new frequencies for the Necedah tower to utilize the full benefit of the new simulcast system.

g. Superior Tower Site
- Three repeaters went out of service. One of the new 4500 repeaters installed at the end of February 2020 went offline and it was replaced with a spare 4100 repeater. It was determined that the issues were power-related so all of the 4500's now have UPS backups.

h. Joski requested that Meredith Hauge review the new security policy for visitors to the Department of Military Affairs.

B. NG911 Program Update – *Jessica Jimenez*
1) Update on the ESInet RFP. Responses were due March 10, 2020, and are officially in the evaluation phase. The RFP covers the statewide emergency services IP-based network (ESInet), as well as the NextGen Core Services for NG911 across the state.
2) A GIS Gap Analysis RFP was released. Responses were due on February 20, 2020, and are officially in the evaluation phase. There will likely be an update available at the next IC meeting.
3) Federal 911 Grant
   a. $2.9 million dollars were received for NG911 equipment and projects.
   b. Applications were due Tuesday, February 4, 2020, and 29 applications were received.
   c. Anticipate having an award and cost summary available at next IC meeting.
   d. The OEC is requesting a 1-year extension on this grant.
4) 2019 Wisconsin Act 26
   a. The Governor signed 2019 Wisconsin Act 26 on November 19, 2019. The Act requires DMA to establish administrative rules for a state NG911 grant program.
   b. OEC is currently working on a scope statement, which is required to be completed and approved by the Governor before state employees can draft rules.

C. Public Safety Broadband Program Update – *Jessica Jimenez*
1) Introduction of Margaret Zieke, new Public Safety Broadband Specialist in OEC beginning March 30
2) FirstNet tower site buildout continues to be on track and/or ahead of schedule.
3) Wisconsin FirstNet User Forums are currently scheduled for April, subject to change based on social distancing requirements related to COVID 19.
   a. April 21 & 22 – New Berlin
   b. April 28 & 29 – Wausau
4) Planning continues for the DNC. AT&T has over 300 active projects related to the DNC in Milwaukee.

D. WISCOM RFP – *Erik Viel*
1) Continuing to move forward with the WISCOM RFI/RFP. Conducted outreach with BSSA, WI Fire Chiefs, and Local Daily Users. RFI draft is in final stages. Currently coordinating logistics with DMA/DOA/DOT leadership before the RFI can be released to ensure all are available to participate in the review of the proposals and innovative ideas.

E. WI OEC/SWIC Update – *Erik Viel*
1) COVID-19
   a. OEC & COMU are coordinating with Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) to support efforts in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to meet any communications needs to support operations at the EOC.
   b. Region V SWICs are coordinating with FEMA at the federal level to assist with ESF2 coordination.

- Jim Jarvis from DHS-CISA provided an update on the virtual Emergency Support Function 2 Desk, and the related public safety communications issues and activities.

    2) Motorola Critical Connect

        a. This is being considered for use for DNC planning to facilitate communications between Illinois, Wisconsin WISCOM users, the city of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, and Waukesha County.

        b. Motorola's Critical Connect is a cloud-based ISSI gateway hosted by Motorola. All radio systems that are connected to Motorola's Critical Connect can communicate with each other.

7. New Business

    A. NEWCOM Update – *Andy Faust*

        1) Presentation on NEWCOM (North East Wisconsin Public Safety Communications); who they are, their history, as well as their goals and focus areas.

    B. WI Interop Markers – *Jim Jarvis*

        1) Presentation on state and territory interoperability markers.

            a. CISA (Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency) ECD (Emergency Communications Division) and NCSWIC (National Council of Statewide Interoperability Coordinators) developed 25 interoperability markers as a nationwide self-assessment framework to describe interoperability maturity at the State/Territory level.

            b. Benefits of state and territory interoperability markers.
- To understand impacts of interoperability efforts.
- Justify grant funding and state budget requests.
- Improve strategic planning and implementation aligned to ecosystem.
- Enhance the SCIP planning process.

8. The next meeting will be held on May 28, 2020, DMA 2400 Wright Street, Madison, WI

9. Meeting adjourned at 1:49 PM.

*Motion to adjourn by Cagigal. Seconded by Formea. Unanimous approval.*

Respectfully submitted,
Meredith Hauge
DMA/OEC