



**CUYAHOGA COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD
COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**



Communications Committee Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Wednesday, September 11, 2013

Location: Independence Fire Station
6305 Selig Road
Independence, OH 44131

Attendees (Voting Committee Members)

NAME	Present	ASSOCIATION	ALTERNATE	Present
Chief Christopher Flynn - Chair	X	Chairman	Chief Chris Lyons	
Steven Greene	X	Vice Chair – (Law Enforcement)		
Randy Kimbro	X	Brook Park	Lt. Tom Cramer	X
Brad Handke	X	City of Cleveland Rep.	Vince Mercurio	
Laura Palinkas		City of Cleveland Rep.	Larry Jones II	
Thomas Stacho		City of Cleveland Rep.	Lt. Reynaldo Ortiz	
Supervisor 1 Shawn Smith	X	CECOMS	Supervisor 2 Alison Schmotzer	
Brandy Carney		Cuyahoga County	Tammy Blau	
Pete Greene	X	Cuyahoga County	Vallerie Propper	
Chief Scott Gilman	X	Fire		
Chief William Turner		Fire	Chief Chris Lyons	
Tom Cannell	X	Hospitals	Beth Gatlin	
Nick DiCicco	X	Law Enforcement		
Chief Bruce Elliott	X	MARCS	Chief Tom Robinson	
Vacant		MARCS	Jim Heath	
Mayor Cicero		Mayors & Managers Rep.		
George Balasko	X	PARMA	Capt. Ronald Heffern	
Mike Lasky		PARMA	Lt. Tesmer	
Rob Jamieson	X	Public Works	Bob Girardi	
Lisa Raffurty	X	Regional Dispatch	Chief Dave Freeman	
Nick Pishnery	X	Regional Dispatch	Kristina Eich	

Others in Attendance: C. Haddon, S. Synkowski, J. McClain, D. Leff, S. Rega, J. Skalsky, S. Garwood, D. Ferguson, D. Leff, D. Reese.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / QUORUM DETERMINATION**
 - By Chief Flynn at 9:32 AM
 - Roll Call, Quorum established

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - No Public Comment.

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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- G. Blalasko motioned to approve August 14, 2013 minutes, R. Kimbro seconded. Roll call vote: 11 in favor: 3 abstained: 0 opposed: Motion passed.

4. COMMITTEE VOTING MEMBER

- N. DiCicco has approval from the CCEASAB to be the Law Enforcement voting committee member. An alternate is needed for Vice Chair, Fire, Law Enforcement, and Mayors & Managers.

5. LIFEFLIGHT TALKGROUPS

- This covers all helicopters operating in the Cuyahoga County area. 8TAC92D and 8TAC94D should be used for all ground to air communications. All recently re-banded radios on MARCS need to be checked / tested to make sure the frequency matches the channel name. D. Ferguson and D. Reese said that aircraft should be ordered by phone through the agency's own dispatch center. S. Gillman to present this to Fire Chief's Association meeting on September 26, 2013.

6. COMMAND AND CONTROL RADIOS

- D. Leff expressed that his agency did not receive a command and control radio. P. Greene to look into this.

7. RADIO CACHE LOCATIONS

- S. Gilman presented his findings and recommends that the radios not being used are sent out to daily users. His stance is that the radios are under the County Fire Chief's Association and not County control. P. Greene presented the County position that they are County owned and not available for reallocation to daily use. Having them relocated as cache radios is a recommendation by the committee. S. Gilman made the following motion, seconded by S. Greene: Solon cache should be moved to Orange Village. USAR cache, Mayfield Village, and County Office Emergency Management reallocated to a central location such as Independence Fire or sent out to communities for daily use. Airport cache should remain. Roll call vote: 13 in favor: 1 abstained: 0 opposed: Motion passed.

8. RE-CAP OF AUGUST 28TH NATIONAL BROADBAND NETWORK

- P. Greene, G. Balasko attended. P. Greene is requesting data for the October 2nd meeting from each public service agency which includes personnel, type entity, number of data devices, number of land mobile radios.

9. REALLOCATION UPDATE

- No update available.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TIC-P status: updates need to be added by next month's meeting, sub-committee to set meeting date.
- Cleveland on their system full-time, Police mobiles currently being installed. Mutual Aid talkgroups are now available to be added to other agencies. Westlake tower site currently being installed. S. Garwood to coordinate with B. Handke to get Cleveland system added. B. Handke states that all MOU's to have Cleveland daily use talkgroups have been denied until issues are worked out. CECOMS will be asked to monitor the first mutual aid talkgroup much like they monitor MTAC-1.
- NIFOGS are available, if any are needed please contact P. Greene.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- No executive session conducted.

12. NEXT MEETING

- Next meeting October 9, 2013. Location: Independence Fire Station.

13. ADJOURNMENT

- C. Flynn motioned to adjourn, G. Balasko seconded.