



**REGION I RHSOC MEETING**  
**Thursday, July 26, 2018 – 1:00 p.m.**  
**Meramec Regional Planning Commission**  
**4 Industrial Drive ~ St. James, MO**

**MINUTES**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Chairman Ron Smith led the committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and began the meeting by welcoming committee members and guests at 1:07 p.m.

Chairman Smith opened the meeting by mentioning the recent tragedy that occurred in Branson. He asked that in addition to remembering the lives lost, we should also remember the lives saved. That's why we're here. To ensure that all agencies are working together and have the right tools to perform the necessary jobs.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ron Smith (P), Tabitha Stanfast (A), Darrell Skiles (A), Israel Dobra (A), Lyle Thomas (P), Dan Cordova (P), Adam Birdsong (A), Tony Floyd (P), Linda Kerr (A), David Sewell (P), David Miller (A) and Stacey Smith (P).

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Doug Yurecko (A), Deborah Baker (A), Glen Smith (P), Gary Hicks (P), Bryan Lambeth (P), Michael (P), Stacey Smith (A), Merlyn Johnson (A), Brad Armstrong (P), Deb Halinar (P), Nicholas Pappas (A), Randy Rowe (P), Don Good (P) and Sam Allen (P).

**STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT:**

Linda Carroll, Tammy Snodgrass, Anne Freand and Bonnie Prigge (MRPC), Bob Bloomberg and Brian Courtney (MO DPS), Brett Hendrix and Michelle Nienhuis (SEMA), Kevin Virgin and Michelle Branson (OHS), Matt Luetkemeyer (DFS) and Sierra Thomas (Mid-MO RPC).

**MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA:**

David Sewell made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Israel Doba. The motion carried.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES:**

Tabitha Stanfast made a motion to approve the minutes from the Apr. 26, 2018 and May 24, 2018 meetings; seconded by David Sewell. The motion carried.

**RHSOC NEW BUSINESS:**

**FY18 Region I Grant Application Peer Review and Scoring**

Anne Freand went over the grant recommendations provided by OHS and asked that any eligible voting members sign a Conflict of Interest Form.

There were three individuals willing to score: Debbie Hobson, Deborah Baker and Larry Flesher. Only Ms. Hobson and Ms. Baker scored.

Michelle Branson, OHS, noted that the purpose of the grant funds is to prepare for acts of terrorism.

### Results of the Region I FY18 Grant Peer Review – July 26, 2018

Applicant	Project Name	Requested Funds	Score	Initial Ranking	Awarded Funds
MRPC	Region I Work Plan	\$25,000.00	N/A	N/A	
MRPC	Region I M & A	\$3,347.16	N/A	N/A	
MRPC	Region I Planning & Training	\$8,000.00	19.00	5	\$8,000.00
City of Crocker PD	Portable Radios for PD	\$17,561.55	18.50	6	0
Rolla Fire & Rescue	City of Rolla "All Hazard" Response Team	\$26,000.00	27	1	\$19,103.99
Rolla Fire & Rescue	Command Post & Communications	\$6,720.00	26.5	2	\$6,720.00
Rolla Fire & Rescue	Search & Rescue	\$4,780.00	21.5	4	\$4,780.00
Waynesville PD - 80781	MOSWIN Radios and microphones for PD	\$25,335.00	22	3	\$25,335.00
<b>Recommended Subaward Grants Funding</b>		<b>\$63,938.99</b>			<b>\$63,938.99</b>
<b>Total Subaward Grants Request</b>		<b>\$88,396.55</b>			
<b>Total Overall Grant Request</b>		<b>\$116,743.71</b>			

The Region I HSOC allowed all applicants in attendance to share information about their application with the committee and whether or not they would be willing or able to accept reduced awards. The group then reviewed each request and discussed how awards could be reduced in order to fund as many applications as possible while still leaving viable projects. The resulting awards are listed in the final column. Explanations of the reduced amounts are listed below:

Rolla HSRT – Ron Smith agreed to only partially fund the Thermal Imager with grant funds (- \$6,896.01) which would allow for full funding for Waynesville PD.

City of Crocker PD – After some discussion and input from Brian Courtney with DPS, the committee decided against funding for portable radios. It was the general consensus of the committee that the Crocker PD would be better served with wireless mics. The committee was also concerned about supporting portable radios before all mobiles were set. David Sewell asked about an Interoperable Standard on the Homeland Security page and Mr. Courtney stated that it would be policy from DPS declining Crocker’s request.

Tabitha Stanfast made a motion to fund the requests as discussed with any excess funds going to the all hazard grant; seconded by David Sewell. The motion carried.

Individual votes were as follows:

Stacey Smith – abstained	Darrell Skiles – yes
Tabitha Stanfast – yes	Dan Cordoba – abstained
Lyle Thomas – yes	Israel Dobra - yes
David Sewell – yes	Adam Birdsong - abstained
Tony Floyd – yes	Linda Kerr - yes

Chairman Smith thanked everyone for being generous and working together.

### **2019 THIRA Update**

Ms. Freand informed the committee that the THIRA update is due in May and asked for volunteers to serve on the committee. Adam Birdsong suggested a committee of five or six and Chairman Smith indicated he would be willing to serve on the committee. Further discussion on committee make-up was tabled for a future meeting.

It was also noted that in future grant submissions, this committee opposes points being tied to THIRA. If this change is approved, it won’t go into effect until 2020.

### **OHS Update**

Michelle Branson informed the committee that FY17 is going well and FY16 is almost ready to close.

### **Interoperable Communications Update**

Brian Courtney gave infrastructure updates noting that 25 agencies have been added since January. He informed the committee that if they have a large incident they can contact MOSWIN for assistance in clearing lines for critical communication.

He spoke briefly on the Public Safety Broadband Policy and stated that everything is reviewed and approved by DPS prior to being connected to MOSWIN.

Mr. Courtney gave a brief demonstration on the push to talk feature on First Net. He added that calls in progress will not be interrupted.

He also gave a brief demonstration using the Wave app which allows broadband networks to be connected to the state network. Agencies would pay an upfront and on-going monthly fees but the state would pay for licensing and on-going fees for the agency to be linked to MOSWIN.

Mr. Courtney indicated that there was also an internal service so that School Resource Officers within buildings could talk to their local police department. An upfront and yearly fee is associated with this service.

He closed his report by informing the committee that a Tactical Dispatcher Incident Course would be held Sept. 23-27, 2018.

Bob Bloomberg, DPS, stated that they have 20 ruggedized radios available at the DPS office for any agency having a need for them. He also mentioned that agencies may begin receiving full court press from a lot of providers regarding First Net and they should use caution if choosing one of those as they may not be the best provider.

### **MO State Mutual Aid Update**

Matt Luetkemeyer spoke briefly on the state mutual aid plan. He indicated that they are continuing to work on it but that it is developing into an all hazards communication plan.

### **SEMA Region I Area Coordinator Updates**

Brett Hendrix asked Michelle Niehaus to address the TEPW Survey. Ms. Niehaus informed the committee that the survey is being conducted electronically this year and that the purpose of the survey is to identify priorities, gaps and what training is needed to fill those gaps. She noted that the survey is a way of getting individual feedback for exercises. Ms. Niehaus stated that for those completing the survey, their FEMA student ID number is of key importance. The survey, which is due Aug. 1, surveys participants regarding:

- Exercise series they'd like to see in 2019
- Gaps they see in training
- Core capabilities they want to work on
- Mission areas they want to work on
- Training they would like to see

Chairman Smith added that he would like to see THIRA pushed out to all committee members. It was also suggested that the TEPW survey could be used for multi-year training plans.

### **RHSOC Old Business**

Anne Freand reported that FY16 is nearly ready to be closed out and she is working on completing the final purchases. FY17 is 50 percent spent with items for Crocker, Richland and Waynesville having been purchased.

Ms. Freand informed the committee that staff is working on updating the inventory list, which is due the middle of August. A list will be going out to all agencies asking for the following information on equipment purchased with Homeland Security funds:

- Photos of the equipment and corresponding serial numbers
- Verification on location of the equipment

- Photos of Homeland Security serial number stickers

Also noted were the vacancies for Sheriff, Public Works, Mayor/City Administrator and Private Industry/Public Utility.

**ADJOURN**

Tony Floyd made a motion to adjourn; Adam Birdsong seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

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Chair, Ron Smith

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