

SUMMIT COUNTY
System Administrative Committee
April 22, 2010

PRIMARYS

Kevin Read	City of Akron
David Gatie	Tallmadge Fire Department
Glenn Goodrich	Fairlawn Fire Department
Joe Tulak	Akron Public Schools
Lori Pesci	County of Summit
Don Adams	Mogadore Fire Department
David Calderone	Coventry Fire Department

ALTERNATES

Doug Cincurak	City of Green
Rob Ross	City of Akron
Jim Rogers	Copley Fire Department
Michael McNeely	Bath Police Department
Sharon McMurray	Summit County Sheriff's Office

GUESTS

Dan Stimmel	Emergency Management Agency
Steve Phillips	Akron Police Department
Dave Reichelt	City of Stow/L-TRONICS
Lou Dirker	Stow Police Department
Michael Prebonick	Akron Police Department

The meeting of the System Administrative Committee was called to order by Chairperson Calderone on Thursday, April 22, 2010, in the Fifth Floor Conference Room of the Akron CitiCenter Building, 146 South High Street, Akron, OH 44308.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chief Goodrich made a motion to accept, no one opposed and the motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chief Calderone reviewed correspondence stating that site summary and MAC usage documents are available if anyone wants to obtain copies. Correspondence received was the system administrator report, and currently there is no system administrator.

SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/OWNER'S REPORT

Chief Calderone, in speaking about the selection of the new system administrator, stated that remuneration considerations are presently being evaluated. Interviews of the applicant have taken place and there is a top candidate in mind. There are budget shortfalls when taking into account the salary with benefits. Additionally, this new system administrator would likely report to the Chair of the EMEC, which after discussing this it was determined that it may not be the best way due to the possible conflict of interest.

Chief Calderone said that the interest here is expediency which is why the initial proposition was to have EMEC oversee the new system administrator for at least 2010. Ultimately, SAC should be the committee overseeing this individual. The idea is that down the road the transition will be made from EMEC to SAC oversight and unity of command purposes.

Chief Goodrich agreed with the EMEC oversight needing to be temporary. He asked what if the next person to chair the EMEC isn't up to speed with what's going on. Mainly, the concern is that this is not limited to Akron and Summit County it needs to include all owners and users.

Chief Calderone stated that there is currently a \$30,000.00 shortfall in terms of paying the new administrator. There has been discussion about using a grant to help pay for developing policies, procedures and training on the 800mhz system. He asked everyone how they would feel about using the grant to pay for the \$30,000.00 shortfall.

Chief Kallai said it would work for this year but eventually it would have to be assumed by the owners.

Chief Calderone stated that the new administrator has too much to do just getting started here in Summit County without throwing in the development of policies and procedures.

Ms. Pesci stated that the budget shortfall is actually more than \$30,000.00.

Lt. Amonett asked who wrote the grant in question.

Chief Calderone said it was Steve Libby and Annette Petranic.

Lt. Amonett replied that they don't even work here anymore and asked if there was another method of getting this person hired if using grant money didn't work out.

Chief Goodrich asked whether the grant was written with respect to percentages of time which must be spent on certain projects.

Chief Moledor asked if there were any other alternatives.

Mr. Cincurak asked who will be responsible for putting together policy and procedures if the system administrator isn't able to.

Ms. Pesci stated that it was the County's position that if the system administrator isn't able to provide policies and procedures then we are in trouble.

Chief Moledor asked Chief Calderone if he wanted a motion and he said yes. Chief Moledor then made a motion in support of using the grant to help with the achievement of the policies and procedures. Lt. Amonett seconded.

Chief Goodrich asked how the hiring of the system administrator would be affected by the County's hiring freeze, also stating that it could take several months.

Ms. Pesci said it won't take three months and that the hiring process could be expedited. She stated that Executive Pry would put this before Summit County Council.

Chief Kallai stated it could be achieved in a month.

Ms. Pesci agreed, however she also said that it is very important to have SAC's support behind this at the Council meeting.

Mr. Gatie stated that there was no guarantee that the new system administrator will do everything including policies and procedures, and that the grant money could still be used.

Ms. Pesci said that SAC needs to provide input on the development of the policies and procedures.

Chief Calderone called for a vote for the use of the grant to help with the achievement of the policies and procedures. There were 7 votes for, and 4 votes against.

Chief Goodrich said that he feels a letter should be sent out to the communities that are not participating indicating there is an additional \$72,000.00 in grant money and what it could be used for. Another letter should go to these same communities containing the same information but regarding the \$30,000.00 grant.

Mr. Cincurak suggested trying to identify some issues ahead of time with respect to policies and procedures and possibly starting the process of developing these.

Chief Moledor stated that when a working group comes out with any policies or procedures, it needs to be sent out to everyone.

Chief Calderone said that the process is actually a little different than that. The working group doesn't put out policies; they send it back to SAC for approval before it goes out to anyone.

Chief Moledor stated that regardless of the process, once it has been approved it still needs to go out to everyone.

Chief Goodrich asked if the grant money that has been discussed, including the additional \$72,000.00 learned of this morning, can be used to purchase portable radios through the County to be provided to outlying areas and neighboring jurisdictions.

Ms. Pesci said that it's possible but she would need to review the grant guidelines first.

Chief Goodrich said that it would provide connection between counties and promote interoperability.

Chief Calderone agreed but stated that with that proposal would come a lot of other issues.

PROGRAMMING REPORT

No new programming to report.

OLD BUSINESS

In old business, Chief Calderone mentioned the COM L classes. He said he has the list of the training dates and if anyone was interested to see him after the meeting or email him.

Also, concerning MARCS – the State committee has put out a final report and copies are available upon request. He referenced finding funds in an effort to help reduce or possibly eliminate user fees.

June 23rd there is an SIEC meeting at the State EOC.

May 7th & May 21st are the next meeting dates for working groups and these meetings will take place at Mason Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WORKING GROUP

No new report.

ODHSPR5IAC

No new report.

STATE INTEROPERABILITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (SIEC)

Chief Calderone provided committee reports to the SAC. He talked about the SIEC which meets every two months. He said that the region 5 subcommittee has adopted a charter and that this document will be mailed out in addition to being provided to the EMEC. It was adopted at the state level and deals with the issues pertaining to interoperability.

Chief Calderone stated that there is a \$4 million grant (BIPD). SIEC approved this for all counties that share a border with Canada. He said if anyone wants more information about this to see him after the meeting or send him an email.

Chief Calderone mentioned the 700 broad band issue and that it will provide public safety entities the opportunity to utilize video data. He talked about the Ohio interoperability plan regarding SKIP and that there is a meeting on this May 13th.

Chief Calderone recapped by saying that there is a lot of money out there that is available and EMEC has asked about it. He referenced Lake County and that they were recently awarded a substantial amount.

USAGE REPORTS

MAC

No new report.

MERC

No new report.

EMERGENCY BUTTON ACTIVATION

Mr. Read provided a report for emergency button activation during the month of March.

SITE SUMMARY REPORT

Mr. Read provided the Site Summary report for the month of March.

NEW BUSINESS

Under New business, Chief Moledor raised the concern about radios and being mid conversation and talk groups jumping. No one knows where the transmission

ended up but he referenced a Cuyahoga Falls police officer in a pursuit recently and communication was lost. He also asked if there was a way to make the radio's emergency tone go straight to the dispatch center. One last item of concern was during a recent statewide test of the MARCS system, they were asked to go to channel 20. Chief Moledor stated that the sequence of channels is such that there is a group of channels, then it skips channel 20 and goes on to another grouping of channels.

Chief Ross said that this is a serious issue and there needs to be timely notification of these issues so they can be addressed, investigated and corrected.

Chief Goodrich asked about the status of Bob Scarlatelli.

Chief Calderone said that Mr. Scarlatelli has not been affiliated with the system administrator job or duties for quite sometime.

Ms. Pesci stated that particular transition occurred back in December of 2009.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

No additional information for the good of the order.

NEXT MEETING

Chairperson Calderone stated the next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, May 27, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., at the Fifth Floor Conference Room of the Akron CitiCenter Building, 146 South High Street, Akron, OH 44308.**

SAC Representatives

Community	Primary	Alternate
City of Akron	Kevin Read	Robert Ross
County of Summit	Lori Pesci	Sharon McMurray
Munroe Falls	Jim Bowery	No Alternate Identified
Mogadore	Don Adams	Michael Rick
Tallmadge	Dave Gatie	Don Zesiger
Lakemore	<i>C. Bittner</i>	Dave Carter
Akron Board of Ed	Joe Tulak	Robert Boxler
Coventry	David Calderone	John Dolensky
Norton	Mike Schultz	Michelle Toris
Airport	Todd Laps	Barry Irwin
Springfield	Victor Wincik	John Smith
New Franklin	Perry Surgeon	Dan Davidson
Green	Bob Calderone	Doug Cincurak
Peninsula	Chief McCue	Tim Baker
Valley Fire	Charlie Reidel	Tim Baker
Humane Society	Tim Harland	No Alternate Identified
Fairlawn	Glenn Goodrich	Dave Mason
Bath	Bill Snow	Mike McNeely
Stow	Paul Amonett	Bill Kalbaugh
Copley	David Sattler	Jim Rogers
Clinton	John Yohey	No Alternate Identified
Silver Lake	Carl Harrison	Gary DeMoss
Metro Parks	Grant Van Fossen	Doug Sheppard
Cuyahoga Falls	Paul Moledor	Ken Starcher
Barberton	Michael Kallai	Kim Baldwin

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