

**CCRCC Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes**

12-07-09

Attendance

Bob Lefebvre
Gary Sacco
Ron Sheppard
Dave Libby
Don Goulet
Alan Dolloff
Jim Budway
Rick Plummer
Rod Beaulieu
Charlie Hammond
Angelo Mazzone
Bruce Tupper
John Small
Bill Holmes

Guest:

Matt Magill CCRCC
Peter Daigle Portland Fire Department
Maria Jacques – Maine ESCB
Bob Gasper- Maine ESCB

- 1) Approval of meeting minutes from July 20, 2009

Motion to approve by Angelo Mazzone, second by Al Dolloff. Carried Unanimously.

- 2) EMD / Protocol 36 presentation: Bill Holmes

- a. Mandated Medical Priority Protocol
- b. Includes Protocol 36 which could mean “no EMS response”
- c. Where we are on the issue

- Matt Magill – CCRCC – Medical Priority EMD Process
- Peter Daigle- Portland FD – Protocol 36
- Jim Budway- State of the State as it pertains to protocol 36

3) Maine 9-1-1 Funding follow up: Maine ESCB Director Maria Jacques / Bob Gasper

- Maria Jacques briefed the board members on the annual ESCB budget. She said that the ESCB appears to be on budget for the year.
- Bob Lefebvre expressed concern that the State of Maine should have used a better notification system to alert agencies about the EMS / EMD rule making and expressed disappointment that the State transitioned to Priority Dispatch versus the easier and less expensive NECI protocol previously used by the CCRCC. Maria said that all PSAP directors were notified of the rule making process. Bill said he had been notified but that when he contacted that State to suggest keeping NECI as the preferred vendor he was asked not to contact the members while the issue was being considered for vote. Bill is now a member of the EMD committee.
- Gary Sacco asked several questions about the State mandated training and expressed concern that the state mandates are causing the CCRCC to use a considerable amount of training funding, which was dedicated for other specialized training, to meet the State mandates.
- Members also expressed concern that the State has recently taking \$1.7 million and \$1 million from the ESCB to go to the general revenue account. Members said that they would prefer using those funds to support additional call taking staff at the PSAP's.

4) PSAP Reduction letter / Kimballs follow up: Bill Holmes

Bill advised the members that a letter opposing any further mandated PSAP reductions in the state has been mailed to each elected official in Cumberland County. Bill also met with Kimball's to express the opposition by board members. Maria Jacques said the Board's concerns were a consistent theme throughout the State and the study will reflect that concern in their report.

5) Cell Phone OPT-IN – Requested approval for the remainder of Cumberland County covered by the CCRCC.

Bill advised the board members that he has requested of the State to expand the CCRCC cell phone opt-in to include all communities covered by the CCRCC using U.S. Cellular. Bob Gasper acknowledged receipt of the request and said he is working on the request now.

6) Narrowband all frequencies (12-31-12)

Bill reminded members that all radio frequencies must be narrow banded by 12 -31-12. Dave Libby suggested to members that when narrow banding their frequencies that they consider moving to 6.25 GHz versus 12 because a further narrow band mandate is on the horizon. Dave said that most new radios purchased within the past few years are 6.25 capable.

7) CC Microwave project update. Bill updated the board on the project.

8) Community Microwave connection – work with RCM

9) Employee of the Quarter: Josh Turina

- Bill advised the Board that CCRCC employee Josh Turina has been selected as the CCRCC employee of the Quarter for July-September. He also advised the board that our own Chief Bob Lefebvre has been selected as the Cumberland County Fire Chief of the Year.

10) New (P/T) Staff Members (5) starting January 4, 2010

Bill advised the board that we will be hiring 5 new part time staff members who will begin training on 01-04-10. Bill asked for patience from our agencies as the new members begin their training.

11) CCRCC 9-1-1 T.E.A.M.

- a. Volunteers needed (30)
- b. Law Enforcement response policy (officers v. VIPS)

Bill advised the board that he will need to meet with the law enforcement agencies to discuss how a new CCRCC policy will reflect a response to unanswered 9-1-1 TEAM calls.

12) Adjourn

