

INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS MEETING  
JUNE 5, 2012-RIEMA  
9:00 am

ATTENDEES;

Theresa Murray	RIEMA-Chair
Joe McGarry	Providence Communications
Joe Raulinaitis	US FDA
Norma Sousa	RI E-911
Ralph Nahigian	North Providence
Chief James McLaughlin	Warwick Fire Department
Chief Joseph Baris	West Warwick Fire Department
John Botello	West Warwick Fire Department
Frank Floor	DEM Enforcement
Paul Laflamme	RIPTA
Gina Caruolo	Department of Corrections
Tim Cullinan	East Providence Fire
Mike Grant	East Providence Police
Scott Lessard	North Kingstown Fire
Tom Crotty	RISP
David Schnell	Lifespan
Annemarie Beardsworth	RIEMA
Tony Lupinacci	DOIT
Brian Glancy	RISP-retired
Peter Ginaitt	Lifespan
John Killian	RISP
Jeff Stevens	RI DOH
J. Michael Wreh	RI DOT
John King	Portsmouth EMA

- I. Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and approved as written.
- II. Presentation of status of RISSON-800 MHZ was given by Tom Kalis and Ron Provost of Motorola and Mike Walsh of RIEMA.

- III. Old Business

The strategies to avoid system busies during a period of heavy use or disaster such as the last tropical storm was discussed.

Discussion included adding a fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) site to solve the problem or whether the addition of channels would be a better solution or a combination of both.

Since the infrequent users were at least partially responsible for the systems busies during the last big storm discussion was had on how to limit or restrict them and give public safety users a priority.

Concerns about users like Lifespan brought up some of the issues that occurred during TS Irene.

- IV. New Business

Executive Director Murray requested from Motorola reports on the system capabilities and system load by the next meeting.

Regarding RISSON Executive Director Murray commented on how important the ICC was because of the expertise of its members in providing input and keeping RISSON on the right track.

It was noted that the next scheduled meeting date was July 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Chair was asked to schedule it for July 10<sup>th</sup> instead.

Meeting was adjourned by Executive Director Murray at 10:30 am.