

**Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency**

**Interoperable Communications Meeting**

**Monday, May 5, 2014**

**Rhode Island Department of Transportation, 360 Lincoln Avenue,  
Warwick, Rhode Island 02888**

**In attendance:**

Sid Wordell, Police Chief's Association  
David Schnell, Lifespan  
Joseph Del Guidice, Prov. Communications  
RI Department of Health – not present  
Tony Lupinacci, RI DoIt  
RI State Police – not present  
RIDOT – not present  
RIPTA – not present  
Brian Glancy, Rep. appointed by RIEMA  
RISCON North - not present  
RISCON South - not present  
Dawn Lewis, Hospital Assoc. of RI  
James Swanberg, RI Bridge & Turnpike Authority  
RI Dept. of Corrections - not present  
Narragansett Indian Tribe – not present  
RIDEM – not present

**Guests:**

John Washburn, RIEMA  
Gil Woodside, RIEMA  
Tom Guthlein, REIMA  
Greg Scungio, RI 911  
Peter Ginaitt, RI Lifespan

**Others:** All captured on sign-in sheet (attached).

Since there was no quorum present, the meeting did not go forward. In lieu of minutes, the following are notes taken from the meeting.

Although no business could be discussed or addressed due to the lack of a quorum, Peter Ginaitt (RI LifeSpan) suggested that going forward these ICC meetings should be scheduled for the same day every month and possibly scheduled in advance for the upcoming year. It was noted that the Police Chiefs' Association meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month and HAZMAT/ DECON meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month (as well as EMAC). It was not known and will be determined what day the Fire Chiefs' Association meets. Dawn Lewis (Hospital Assoc. of RI) indicated the State event calendar is designed for these purposes and if the larger state agencies would supply their emergency preparedness calendars it would ease these types of conflicts.

Peter Ginaitt (RI LifeSpan) asked if there any announcements to be discussed, in lieu of business. Tom Guthlein (RIEMA) distributed a handout regarding Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP) as well as a review of the PowerPoint. Tom Guthlein (RIEMA) briefly reviewed the information requesting any feedback. He did go on to state that Executive Director Jamia McDonald (RIEMA) will be contacting certain individuals to utilize it first and then provide feedback as to any changes. Once this process is completed, it will be mail out to the entire body.

Tom Guthlein (RIEMA) also noted that Executive Director Jamia McDonald will also be contacting six (6) people since this year is unique in that the grants will be reviewed for interoperability. This will be done to insure the grants are in alignment with the SCIP.

**The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 6, 2014 at 10:00 AM at the Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency**