

RIEMA-ICC-06.17.10

9:00 a.m.

ATTENDEES:

Dir. J. David Smith, Chair  
Stuart Frieman, RIEDC  
Philip Paul, RIEMA Intern  
Mike Walsh, RIEMA  
Gina Caruolo, RIDOC  
Tony Lupinacci, DOIT  
Joe McGarry, Providence Communications  
Brian Glancy, Retired State Police  
Thomas Crotty, RISP  
Mike Scanlon, DEM  
Ron Provost, Motorola  
Brian Swann, Motorola  
Jeff Stevens, DOH/CEPR  
Jim Swanberg, RI Turnpike & Bridge Authority  
Jeff Kelly, Mutual Link  
Vladimir Ibarra, Lt. Governor's Office  
John Vernancio, New England Ambulance  
Andrew Zarlenga, New England Ambulance  
John Riendeau, RIEDC  
Peter Ginaitt, Lifespan  
Michael Dillon, Providence Fire Department

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Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Director Smith.

- The last meeting minutes were accepted. No discussion. All in favor. No opposed.
- Mike Walsh: They were here last week doing the voice over for the training video. Hopefully, the final release of the video will be at the end of the month. Hopefully, we will start sending out the video to agencies in July.
- Anytime an agency needs to do training they can play the video.
- Strategic Planning for RISON and HPD:
  - There is a site in Gloucester that provides excellent coverage. Regan will be switched from South to North as soon as possible.
  - East Providence water tank in Kent Heights is a significant site. (North)
  - There is currently good coverage in Cumberland, but it will improve with building of a new tower-rock anchors on order
  - 140 ft. stack tower can be put up in a day as long as the foundation has set.
  - The Narragansett site is 200 ft. higher, which benefits Newport, North Kingstown and Narragansett. It will really improve the local towns.
  - We are thinking about having the Hess Station at Route 138 point right into Wickford-microwave back haul.

- Thinking of turning microwave at URI around and just go right into Exeter.
- Peter Ginaitt will start the hospital paperwork for Newport site and Newport Hospital.
- New Business: Stuart Freiman:
  - RIEDC-1.5 Million Grant to develop and manage the Rhode Island piece of the map.
    - 1 Million for broadband map over 2 years.
    - \$500,000 for broadband planning over 5 years.
  - Website launched April 2010. ([www.broadband.ri.gov](http://www.broadband.ri.gov))
  - Help verify coverage in your area by taking the speed test @ [broadband.ri.gov](http://broadband.ri.gov).
  - Supplement Grant Opportunities:
    - Application due July 1, 2010 to fund years 3-5 for mapping and 2-5 for planning.
    - Anticipated funding 150,000-1 Million per state.
  - How do we leverage this opportunity in the public safety/homeland security community here in Rhode Island?
  - Peter Ginaitt: Patient tracking system is being built statewide and could be an applicant for this grant.
  - Gina Caruolo: Recommends a phone system to contact residents regarding a missing person, robo calls, as well as sex offender notification. A phone system like the reverse 911 system.
  - Mike Dillon: Recommends a subcommittee to discuss this grant.
  - Motion for ICC to endorse EDC mapping application to broadband. All in Favor. No opposed.
- New Business: Peter Ginaitt:
  - Discussion regarding communication of Black Hawks during the Air Show on June 26, 2010.
  - Dir. Smith: RISON helicopter coverage everywhere.
  - Short term we can loan radios for the event.
  - Ron Provost will contact the Coast Guard regarding this issue.
- New Business: Peter Ginaitt:
  - Patient tracking- the grant runs out on June 30, 2010.
  - Not just for mass casualties, but for everyday use with every patient.
  - Motion for ICC to support patient tracking and approve health care tactical strategy from last meeting. All in favor. No opposed.
  - Motion for EMA to find short term and long term helicopters expand coverage. All in favor. No opposed.
- No Old Business.
- D-Block Review at GHSAC meeting in Washington, D.C.
  - B-Block bought by Verizon.
  - C-Block owned by AT&T.
  - Dir. Smith: D-Block- Motion for ICC and RI to support D-Block not being auctioned and stay as a public safety tool. Approve. No opposed-letter to be sent.

- SOG adaptation and plain speak and/or language for law enforcement.
  - SOG continues to evolve.
  - 205S status: SOPS go out with the training video.
- Comm-Ex
  - End of July.
  - Mike Walsh has a disc of training exercises that we can use.
- Jacobs Engineering meeting-Joe Bucci-DOT-Joe will discuss at next meeting.
- Cumberland update-Engineering approvals.
- Region 19-We need strong and aggressive voice at meeting.
  - Motion for ICC to fill all RI seats. All in favor. No opposed.
- Vladimir Ibarra: Ham Amateur radio
  - Motion that ICC endorses Ham Amateur radio and public safety entities to integrate them into communications. All in favor. No opposed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Next Meeting 07.06.10 at 9:00 a.m. at same location.

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