

Advisory Committee for 9-1-1 Service Oversight
Committee Minutes
June 29, 2009

In Attendance: Paul Fennewald, Chairman; RD Porter, Mary Berry, James “Bob” Asahl, Elizabeth Pierson, James Person, Becky Jungmann, Mark Head, Terry Jarrett

Visitors: Tammy Sweezer (Administrative Support), John Campbell (SEMA Operations Chief) Greg Natsch – MO Bureau of EMS, Samar Muzaffar – DHSS, Donna Windsor – Carroll County E-911, Robert Driscoll – Cass County 911, Paul Anderson – MO-APCO, Drew Juden – Sikeston DPS, Greg Hook – MARC, John Britt – DPS Director, Sheldon Lineback – MO Police Chiefs

1. Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. at Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach Missouri. Mr. Porter did a roll call of members, and declared there were enough members present for a quorum.
2. Mr. Porter welcomed the guests present and asked each of them to introduce themselves and tell where they were from. Mr. Porter then introduced Mr. Paul Fennewald from DPS as the chair of this meeting, representing DPS Director John Britt.

Mr. Fennewald made comments outlining the challenges faced by the committee; Economic Situation, H1N1, ect.

Under old business the minutes from March 17, 2009 were approved.

Mr. Fennewald gave an update on the Promulgation of 9-1-1 rule changes. Mr. Fennewald advised that DPS Legal council has the rules and is working on them. Mr. Fennewald checked with legal council this morning and the rules should be ready to go to the Secretary of State’s Office in 3 to 4 weeks. Mr. Fennewald will let everyone know when the rules are ready to go.

Mr. Fennewald asked for comments on the fiscal notes, and the general consensus was there is no negative fiscal impact. Mr. Fennewald indicated the August 2008 vote to the Promulgation of Rules would stand. Mr. Fennewald encouraged people who had concerns with the language of the finalized rules to provide comments during the public comment period after the rules were published.

Mr. Porter gave an update on the recent legislative efforts in Missouri to further 9-1-1. He told everyone the activities we had in the Legislature did not get far this year. House Bill 202 went nowhere, SB 119 – Comprehensive Funding did not pass, House Bill 1152 did not pass the committee. Discussion is underway for potential call center consolidation.

3. Under new business Dr. Samar Muzaffar from DHSS and Greg Natsch from the MO Bureau of EMS discussed how important 9-1-1 is to the Pandemic Planning & Triage. Dr. Muzaffar let everyone know they are preparing for the H1N1 Virus for the fall. DHSS has been tasked to find out who on the Public Safety side they should be working with. DHSS provided the committee a briefing of the agency’s willingness to work with 9-1-1 agencies, especially as it pertains to the H1N1. Dr. Muzaffar and Greg Natsch also answered questions from the group.

Mr. Porter gave some information on the E-911 Grant Program; the Department of Transportation and Department of Commerce made a grant available. June 5th is when the

grant became available. Mr. Porter sent a copy to all the 9-1-1 centers and will be working with the centers to get all the information needed. The deadline for this grant is August 4th; the grant will be submitted on July 31st. On July 21st a Rep for each Homeland Security Region will come to Jefferson City and read over these grants to see what applies. OA will be the applicant for Missouri. They would like to put together a regional concept. Mr. Porter answered questions on the grant. Sheldon Lineback requested DPS Legal review of the "in-kind" match requirements.

Mr. Fennewald asked that Mr. Porter keep the committee and DPS updated on what is going on with this grant.

4. In open discussion Mr. Fennewald told the committee that he had been reviewing previous meeting minutes and there is nothing in them about the Robert's Rules of Order being adopted by the Committee for how the work of the Committee was conducted. Mr. Fennewald asked the committee if they would like to adopt the Robert's Rules of Order. The committee voted to adopt the Robert's Rules of Order and a motion was carried to accept.

Mr. Fennewald asked what the goals were of this committee. Mary Berry hoped that this committee is wanting to get 9-1-1 across the whole state of Missouri and that maybe we need to get different groups together to get this done.

Mr. Person is concerned about continued push for state solutions to issues, some local jurisdictions (metro areas) are doing well, and he favors a two-pronged approach with some local solutions.

Mr. Fennewald asked if we need to put a group together to get this done. Elizabeth Pierson believes we should put a group together to get this done. Ms. Pierson wants the committee to become a more powerful voice on 9-1-1 issues.

Mr. Fennewald suggested a strategic planning committee to develop a 9-1-1 Strategic Plan for Missouri, and wanted to know who should be on this committee. The committee decided to come together on August 3, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the DPS office building. Mr. Fennewald advised he would obtain a conference call and number so that anyone unable to attend in person could still be involved. A unanimous approval from the committee for this meeting was approved.

Mr. Porter let the group know that the state budget and planning committee is putting together a census packet. They are trying to improve the census for 2010 and wanted to let everyone know that 9-1-1 maps can be used to get this census. They need the 9-1-1 centers to share their addresses.

Mr. Fennewald asked if there were any other questions or comments for open discussion. Mr. Fennewald expressed his thanks to the group and indicated he looked forward to working with the committee.

5. Meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m. The next meeting will be September 15, 2009 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City.