

ARIZONA APCO – FIRE/EMS Subcommittee

MINUTES

09/21/2009

14:00 (AZT)

TELECONFERENCE

MEETING CALLED BY	Jim Long – Committee Chair (Northwest Fire District/N. Pima County Consortium)
TYPE OF MEETING	Teleconference
FACILITATOR	Jim Long
NOTE TAKER	"" "" ""
TIMEKEEPER	
ATTENDEES	Dan Cassels – Daisy Mt. Fire District Lusandra Harris – City of Yuma Isaiah Twombly – City of Tucson , GSA Janet White – City of Flagstaff Louise Smith – City of Phoenix

Agenda topics

15 **INTRODUCTIONS** ALL

DISCUSSION	Each member spent a few minutes introducing themselves	
CONCLUSIONS	Welcome to the AZ-APCO Fire/EMS Subcommittee	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

15 **MISSION/PURPOSE** ALL

DISCUSSION	Discussion initiated to determine the purpose of the AZ-APCO FIRE/EMS committee. Recommended	
	Actions were: Be a clearinghouse for Training for Fire/EMS or general training sessions within the state. Suggestion:	
	We contact Patrick Cutts in Scottsdale who conducts frequent training.	
	Discussion of Technical topics at a Non Technical Level (800Mhz, P25, Digital, etc). (See below)	
	Update on the happenings in each region for report to the AZ-APCO Executive Committee.	
CONCLUSIONS	L. Smith recommended we take some time to ponder our mission and get back to the committee	
	During our next meeting and formulate a more concrete plan.	
	The Preferred method of Communication is EMAIL.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

Develop list of goals/objectives for Fire/EMS committee	ALL	10/23/2009
Forward to Jim Long for compilation before the meeting	ALL	10/23/2009

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800 MHZ SYSTEMS

DAN CASSELS/JIM LONG

DISCUSSION	Posed the question on what agencies are using 800Mhz trunk systems and what their FIRE experience has been. Dan gave a brief outline about what is going on in Phoenix and recommended that we invite Leif Anderson, Doug Mummert and Steve Powell to discuss (At a Layman level) what is going on with "Hazard Zone" communications. Currently PHX FD carries two radios. They use 800 Mhz system for NON-Hazard calls such as EMS, Stills, etc. They Switch to VHF when communicating at the fireground, their In vehicle repeaters take this signal and send it up to comm. Discussed the APEX 7000 radios (At a cost of \$7000/ea) that have some dual mike, and voice processing improvements.	
CONCLUSIONS	Some members may find this kind of discussion useful.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Contact Leif, Doug and Steve for the Oct 26 th meeting	Jim Long	10/12/2009

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GRANT DOCUMENT

JIM LONG

DISCUSSION	Asked if any AZ-APCO members present knew of needy fire agencies that could apply for these grants. Question about how much money was available was raised. Answer unknown. We will re-convene Oct 26 th to prepare An update to the Executive Committee for their November meeting.	
CONCLUSIONS	Need further review/study of this document and recommendations for submissions for Fire/EMS agencies.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Review <i>Arizona APCO-NENA Funding Application.pdf</i>	ALL	10/26/2009
Identify Needy agencies	ALL	10/26/2009

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

ALL

DISCUSSION	It was suggested that the FIRE/EMS Subcommittee develop a position on legislative issues. Two that were Discussed included the CORP limitation on new dispatchers in OCT. (Pat Joy has info) and sweeping 9-1-1 funds. Barbara Jaeger stated that 15% reduction of the 9-1-1 budget this year at the state level. The state has already Swept \$25 Million. It was decided NOT to proceed without checking about what kind of assistance we could Provide from B. Jaeger and Liz Graeber (Maricopa 9-1-1) who are already working on this vigorously.	
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CONCLUSIONS Contact B. Jaeger/Liz Graeber to see what assistance they might need from Fire/EMS committee.		
Contact Patty Joy to get a Legislative Update.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Contact Liz and Barbara about 9-1-1 sweeps	Jim Long	09/25/2009
Contact Patty Joy about Legislative Update	Jim Long	09/23/2009

OBSERVERS	
RESOURCE PERSONS	
SPECIAL NOTES	Jim Long will distribute a Contact list of all that are on the list for the FIRE/EMS subcommittee. NEXT MEETING: Via PHONE CONFERENCE Monday October 26th, 14:00