



Franklin Regional Council of Governments

Meeting Minutes: Franklin County Emergency Communication System Oversight Committee			
Date	April 21, 2022	Location	Via ZOOM
Time	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Duration	2.0 Hours
In attendance: Bill Pearlman Dana Johnson Joe Cuneo		FRCOG Staff: Xander Sylvain Bob Dean Tracy Roger Kurt Seaman	
Absent: John Paciorek Walter Tibbetts Butch Garrity		Other: Gene Howard, City of Greenfield	

Agenda Items	Discussion
1. Welcoming remarks/agenda/introductions	Joe Cuneo opened the meeting at 10:06 a.m.
2. Review/approval of March 17, 2022 meeting minutes	Bill Pearlman made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Joe Cuneo. Roll call vote passed unanimously at 10:14 a.m.
3. Chairman's Report	At WMRIC, the new CMED director said they received an alert that the microwave link went down between Mt. Tom. Amherst only has 800 radios installed in two of their ambulances.
4. Decommissioning Planning with Communications Design Consulting Group, LLC	Last minute cancelation and CDCG was unable to attend the meeting.
5. Radio System Manager Update	CoMIRS Trouble tickets worked well with a well and MSP radio technicians are quick to respond to tickets and make repairs. 8track unit on Shelburne is acting up and may have entered end of life. We are currently looking for a new circuit board, awaiting a quote for a used circuit board. If that is not available, then the whole 8track unit will need to be replaced (it's 16 years old). Kurt will head to Royston soon to turn off the HVAC unit for the equipment to save on the electrical bill. Repeaters Toby 2, Montague 1, Buckland 2 are all currently offline.
6. Public Safety Partner Updates	a. Nothing to report b. Rep not present c. Department heads are meeting monthly to address the ongoing staffing issues.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Fire Chief Association b. Police Chief Association c. Franklin County EMS Committee d. Shelburne Control e. Tri-State Fire Mutual Aid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> d. Rep not present e. Nothing to report
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Old Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Roylston Tower 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. FEMA has agreed to the tower transfer between FRCOG and FEMA and Bod Dean will be working on the Roylston project from here on.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8. New Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. No new business 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob Dean will be working on updated FRCOG policy for surplus equipment that will inform the decommissioning process and selling off of FCECS equipment. • Dana Johnson asked for pager programming and guidance – there are resources available and this topic will be moved to CoMIRS AG and resources will be pulled together into a single guide and posted on the website.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Wrap up and adjourn 	<p>Walter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe. Roll call vote passed unanimously at 10:40.</p>