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Open Session Meeting Minutes

**Department of Military Affairs
Classroom 230**

**Wednesday, June 14, 2006
10:07 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**

Members present: Chair Major General Albert Wilkening (DMA), David Collins (WSP), Dr. Sheri Johnson (DHFS), Amy Smith (DNR), David Steingraber (OJA), Jim Warren (DCI) and Judy Ziewacz (DATCP).

Members Absent or Excused: David Heinle (CapPol) and Johnnie Smith (WEM).

Alternates present: Tom Anderson (DHFS alternate), Dan Blackdeer (CapPol alternate), Mike Kunesh (OJA alternate), David Pabst (WSP alternate), Steve Peterson (WEM alternate) and David Woodbury (DNR alternate).

Others present: Randi Milsap (DMA Legal Counsel), Anita Cornell (DMA staff), Captain June Dykstra (DMA staff), Lori Getter (WEM staff), Jerry Haberl (WEM staff), DeAnn Young (WEM staff), Bill Clare (WEM staff), Keith Tveit (WEM staff), Ed Gleason (DHS Protective Security Advisor - Wisconsin), Tom Trier (FBI – Madison), Mark Winscher (FBI - Madison), Jeff Anderson, (U.S. Attorneys Office- Western District), Bill Lipscomb (U.S. Attorneys Office – Eastern District), Ed Wall (DCI), Jill Jonas (DNR) and Brian Rybarik (Wisconsin Telecommunications Association).

Quorum present.

10:07 a.m. – Convene in open session.

After convening in open session, the Council took a short break.

10:15 a.m. – Re-Convene in open session.

5. Announcements of Closed Session Discussion/Action

Chair Wilkening announced that the minutes for the May 17, 2006 closed session meeting were approved. Each agency provided its classified intelligence report. The Council received an update on the National Guard Reaction Force and Southwest border operations. There was a strategic briefing by DNR on sensitive drinking water infrastructure information.

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6. Review and Approval of May 17, 2006 Open Session Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Dave Collins and seconded by Dr. Sheri Johnson to approve the minutes from the May 17, 2006 open session meeting minutes. **Motion carried.**

7. General discussion and possible action on sensitive drinking water infrastructure information.

Amy Smith moved to establish a working group to be appointed by the Chair to consider recommendations to the Council concerning homeland security issues regarding agency records. Seconded by David Steingraber. **Motion carried unanimously.**

8. Invited First Responder Updates.

- Oneida County EM Director (Ken Korten Hof): 1) We are working on a mutual aid communication system. 2) We are working with the MABAS system and will be meeting in Oneida County on this system.
- Badger Sheriffs (Scott Pedley – LaFayette County Sheriff): Participation in this meeting via teleconference is difficult. The sheriffs are key players in managing disasters. We feel “out of the loop” and would like to see forward movement on a local law enforcement member on the Council.

9. Update and discussion on WMD/Pandemic Flu exercise scheduled for September 8, 2006

- WEM (Steve Peterson): Steve distributed to the group a handout outlining the Joint Interagency Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Tabletop. See WEM Handout 6/14/06 Open Meeting Minutes. The design team has met. We are contemplating a four-hour tabletop exercise. This exercise will include National Guard personnel and the activation of the National Guard Reaction Force and the Civil Support Team (CST).
- General Wilkening: September is “Readiness Month”. In addition to the tabletop exercise on September 8, 2006, we will present the Governor with the Annual Report from the Homeland Security Council.
- WisPol (David Collins): Does the Council want to be present during this tabletop exercise?
- DHFS (Tom Anderson): This idea works with the internal coordination group planning the exercise. The MOA with the U.S. Department of Human Services requires that we plan a pandemic influenza exercise within a certain timeframe. DOA is looking at the human resources aspect.
- OJA (David Steingraber): Is there a need for external funding? OJA should be included from the beginning if you need funding. Can pandemic influenza exercises be funded through DHS funds?
- OJA (Mike Kunesh): Yes.
- OJA (David Steingraber): We need to recognize that there is competing uses for this funding.

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- U.S. Attorneys Office – Eastern District (Bill Lipscomb): Do you want to include federal participation?
- WEM (Steve Peterson): We will consider it. Fran Schmitz is the pandemic expert at the federal level.

10. Update on MABAS and Disaster Relief Fund Administrative Rules

Randi Milsap provided a brief update on the status of the Administrative Rules. The Emergency Rule for the Disaster Assistance Fund was officially published on June 8, 2006. See Attachments #2 and #3, 6/14/06 HLS Open Meeting Minutes. The Scope Statements for both the Disaster Assistance Fund and the Mutual Aid Alarm Box System (MABAS) will be published in the June 30, 2006 *Wisconsin Administrative Register*. We intend to hold joint public hearings for both rules in August 2006 at six locations around the state.

11. Demonstration by WEM on E-Sponder

Bill Clare and DeAnn Youngs gave a brief overview and demonstration of Wisconsin Emergency Management's Esponder software. E-Sponder has been operational since January 31, 2006. It is a web-based system that operates on a secure server at DMA. It is intended to be used by responders, local/county agencies and state agencies. Bill discussed the functionality and GIS capabilities of E-sponder. There will be no charge to the counties for accessing and using Esponder at the local level.

12. Other Business.

- WEM (Lori Getter): 1) Lori addressed the Council and asked members to submit articles and photos for the upcoming "Readiness Month" campaign in September. She is also preparing the 3rd annual Homeland Security Report and would like to receive information by July 14, 2006. 2) Several agencies are working together to provide a statewide website on avian influenza. This should be up and running soon. 3) The Wisconsin.gov portal is changing and we will have the capability to immediately post emergency information to the public directly on the portal site. With just "one click" we can take over the whole page and put on emergency information and links. Wisconsin will be the first in the nation to have this capability.
- DATCP (Judy Ziewacz): DATCP will be hosting an exercise on July 7, 2006 focusing on law enforcement authorities for stop movement orders for animals and associated quarantines. This will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Fitchburg Community Center.
- Wisconsin State Telecommunications Association (Brian Rybarik): Brian introduced himself to the Council. He represents the trade association for the local telephone companies in the state. He will be their conduit to the Council.
- OJA (David Steingraber): 1) David distributed a handout regarding Wisconsin receiving \$24.4 million in Homeland Security Funds. See Attachment #1, HLS Open Meeting Minutes. The SIEC has approved the Technical Interoperability Plan. The framework is in place and has been adopted in "draft" form. At the end of the summer we will be holding "listening sessions" on this plan. The operational component will

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take longer. The Council guided OJA with the initial funding strategy. The intent is for every first responder in Wisconsin to have the capability to have a MARC repeater. This may take 2 rounds of funding to accomplish. 2) Dave commented that OJA is working in a different context which will provide an opportunity to focus strategy. The days of broad discretion and large amounts of funding are gone. We now need to define strategies and investment justifications. In reference to the homeland security funds recently awarded, Wisconsin fared well proportionately, We did not get everything we asked for due to less money being available. Funds were distributed on a "risk and threat population base". We were in the top 25% of those that applied which is a tribute to the working group. Wisconsin is on the lower risk side, is not a border state and the process is competitive. We asked for \$34 million and we received \$24 million (actually it is \$16 million, as \$8 million is allocated for urban area security). We should receive the funds sixty days after we receive official notice.

13. Set date, time and place of next meeting.

Next meeting will be July 19, 2006 at the Department of Military Affairs, Madison.

14. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Jim Warren and seconded by Judy Ziewacz to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.**

11:15 a.m. – Meeting Adjourned.