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Open Session Meeting Minutes

Department of Military Affairs
Room 230

Wednesday, July 15, 2009
10:09 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.

Members present: Chair Brig Gen Donald Dunbar, David Collins (WSP), Martin Henert (DATCP), Chief Doug Holton (Fire Services), Sheriff David Mahoney (Badger Sheriffs Assn), Mike Myszewski (DCI), and Charles Tubbs (CapPol).

Members absent or excused: Oskar Anderson (DOA), Chief Edward Flynn (Chiefs of Police Assn), Dr. Seth Foldy (DHS), David Steingraber (OJA), DNR Vacancy, and WEM Vacancy.

Alternates present: Dan Blackdeer (CapPol), Diane Christen (DHS), James Harpole (Chiefs of Police Brevet), David Pabst (WSP), Steve Peterson (WEM), Tony Peterson (OJA Brevet), Robin Schmidt (DATCP), Mark Wahl (DOA), Ed Wall (DCI), and David Woodbury (DNR).

Others present: Chandra Miller Fienen (GOV), Randi Milsap (DMA), Lynn Rasmussen (DMA), Cody Loew (DMA), Daniel Payette (DMA), Lieutenant Colonel Kari Wiegand (JFHQ), Lieutenant Colonel Steve Dunai (Wisconsin Drug Control Program), Major John Slack (JFHQ), Captain Jason Crabb (DMA), Master Sergeant Damien Schuerman (DMA), Lori Getter (WEM), Larry Reed (WEM), Kelly Bradley (DMA), Susan Burleigh (WEM), Bill Engfer (DNR), Chris Cole (FBI), Lisa Heitman (U.S. Attorneys Office), Bob Kelley (USDHS), Jim King (FEMA Region 5), Elizabeth Makowski (U.S. Attorneys Office), Richard Reinemann (USCG), and David Spakowicz (DCI), Brian Schneider (Barneveld Police Dept.), and Jeff Wydeven (DOC).

10:09 a.m. – Convene in open session.

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



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

6. Announcements of Closed Session discussion/action.

Chair Dunbar announced that each agency provided its classified intelligence report. There was a strategic discussion on the status of security clearances for state officials and the Milwaukee HIDTA initiative.

7. Review and approval of June 17, 2009 open session meeting minutes.

- WSP (Dave Pabst): On page two, the name listed for the WSP representative should be listed should be “Susan Huxtable” instead of “Sandra Huxtable”.
- DATCP (Martin Henert): On page six, the DATCP secretary’s last name is “Nilsestuen” instead on “Nelson”.

A motion was made by Dave Collins and seconded by Steve Peterson to approve the June 17, 2009 open session meeting minutes, as amended. **Motion carried.**

8. First Responder and Agency Reports.

- WSP (Dave Collins): 1) The State Patrol offered assistance at the Patrick Cudahy fire to support strapped staffs. There was good interoperability and dispatching. 2) Wisconsin Farm Technology Days will be held in Dodge County on July 21 – 23, 2009. We are working with the Dodge County Sheriff’s Department to prepare for heavy traffic for this event.
- CapPol (Charles Tubbs): 1) Kudos to the Milwaukee Fire and Police Departments for responding to a fire at a State Office Building in Milwaukee. 2) Capitol Police had the opportunity to participate in training event by TEACS called “Preparing the Nation for the Next Crisis.” This was a good experience for participants.



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- DHS (Diane Christen): *(Reading off report)*: To date in Wisconsin, 4,333 confirmed cases of H1N1 and 1,782 probable cases. The median age is 12 with ages ranging from less than 1 year to 86 years old. Sixty-four percent (64%) of the infected were female. The higher rate of infection for females is that they are generally caregivers for children. Hospitalizations have occurred in 3.6 % of all confirmed cases. Wisconsin has the most confirmed cases of H1N1 – more than any other state. The large number of confirmed cases is partly due to strong laboratory staff/facilities and early testing.
 - DMA (Randi Milsap): I will distribute the H1N1 report electronically to members after the meeting.
- DHS (Diane Christen) continued: H1N1 affects the lungs more severely than the throat or nose. Also, the State is able to apply for new funding – up to \$4.6 million. The State would receive 50% of the money up front; money would be received one week after submitting for the grant. This is a short turnaround. The rationale is to accelerate planning and response efforts. Our agency is reaching out to all partners and collecting information, this includes working on messages and determining who our partners will be. This is part of our strategic communications plan.
 - Chair Dunbar: Does the grant money require a state match?
 - DHS (Diane Christen): This is a new grant. It incorporates the match and maintenance requirement. Potentially another \$253 million in grant money is available.
 - Fire Services (Chief): Will money be available for backfill for first responders who get H1N1?
 - DHS (Diane Christen): No. Backfill will not be available for first responders.
- DNR (David Woodbury): 1) DNR took part in the Cudahy fire. 2) The analysis of chemicals at the Columbus Industries fire is not complete. Eighty percent (80%) of the



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contaminated waste has been removed from this site and is being shipped to Canada. The site will be completely cleaned up in another 10 days. 2) DNR is concerned that northern/northwestern Wisconsin is very dry. To prevent fires, DNR will be taking emergency measures/precautions. This includes burning bans. Incident management teams are on standby in the event of a fire outbreak. The teams are involved in many interagency working groups.

- WEM (Steve Peterson): This is the one-year anniversary of WEM taking over the REACT Center. REACT finished the fiscal year in the black.
- OJA (Tony Peterson): Nothing to report.
- DCI (Mike Myszewski): Nothing to report.
- DATCP (Martin Henert): Tomorrow, U. S. Dept of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and U.S. Dept. of Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood will be at a meeting in West Salem, WI. We expect they may encounter a protest demonstration during their Wisconsin visit.
- DOA (Mark Wahl): We are working on completing the Cyber Annex in coordination with WEM, DMA and the Fusion Center. DET is preparing for a continuum of cyber attacks. 2) There is a new type of spear phishing that takes advantage of text messaging. There is a concern that people are aware of phishing via email, not via text message. Fairly small banks are being targeted.
- Chiefs of Police Assn (Harpole): 1) Recently there was a pipe bomb hoax at Miller Park. This incident provided a test of our emergency response systems. 2) The Milwaukee Police Dept. recently underwent a reorganization of the Criminal Investigation Division. We have streamlined operations, created an intelligence fusion center and a real-time crime center. The fusion center is there to assist all partners. Actionable intelligence will be disseminated regionally.



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- Badger Sheriffs Assn (Sheriff Mahoney): 1) The Dane County Sheriff's Department is finalizing a uniform Operations Plan. 2) We are working out staffing for an H1N1 outbreak. We have H1N1 reports in Dane County of confirmed cases, including an entire family. We have a major concern about the jails, which are predominantly filled by those in the need of medical care.
- Fire Services (Chief Holton): 1) The recent Patrick Cudahy fire involved 65 agencies, including fire and HAZ-MAT. There was a large, orderly evacuation. We had crews at fire for 3 days. This was the largest MABAS response in Wisconsin to date. We had minor concerns about interoperability, otherwise the response went extremely well. There were no known injuries. 2) We had a minor hazardous material response at the General Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee. A person boarding a plane had rags that were soaked in "Gooff". The airline would not allow that person to board. The person was sent to a hotel and the rags were dumped into the garbage. The rags were noticed by TSA agents who sniffed the vapors and got sick. An AAR with the airport and TSA details the event.
- Chair Dunbar: 1) There is an initiative with Dept. of Transportation and Union Pacific to replace elevated railroad tracks and move them below grade to reduce the threat to General Mitchell International Airport. 2) We have completed work on the 2009-2011 Wisconsin Homeland Security Strategy Plan. We will present to Governor Doyle for approval. The Strategy will become baseline document; it will shape the direction of the Annual Report and be used to measure agency progress. 3) I am handing out a National Governor's Association review that was presented to Secretary Napolitano. 4) At the last Council meeting fire chiefs expressed concerns about the Level A regional response team contracts. I had the opportunity to meet with the fire chiefs last month at a conference at the Kalahari Resort. The chiefs recommended changes to WEM's process for negotiating the contracts, including better communication. I have decided to audit the funding and negotiating funding process for regional response teams. We will ultimately get all the stakeholders together after completing and discussing the results of audit. This matter is closed for now.



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9. Update by WEM on September Preparedness Month.

Susan Burleigh (WEM) briefed the Council. Last year was the first Wisconsin September Preparedness Month. Randi Milsap and Lori Getter launched the maiden effort. FEMA Region V called to ask about our progress. FEMA's representative was very complimentary of progress thus far.

- The mission is very simple. The job to create a statewide preparedness campaign that continues throughout the year. The campaign's major theme is "get a kit, make a plan, and stay informed" – all year round.
- Our efforts include a "What's your RQ?" survey. This was commissioned by U.S. DHS and funded by grants. The "Readiness Quotient (RQ)" asks 10 key questions to measure the degree of preparedness of persons in the United States. Almost 600 people were surveyed.
- There has been a lot of positive feedback regarding our radio Public Service Announcements (PSAs). The themes include floods, tornados, and severe heat. The Wisconsin National Guard's Public Affairs Office is assisting in the process. We are working to consistently "brand" the entire campaign. We will ask, "Are you ready Wisconsin?" and will break the month down into four weekly themes.
- Our efforts last year focused on corporate partners, including a display of home emergency kits in all Wisconsin Menards stores. We are paying for a Brewers promotion; Randi Milsap is the point person. On game day, there will be a full contingent with first responders. We will also sponsor weather radio giveaways during the game.

10. Update and briefing by the Inter-Agency workgroup on one point of contact for agency emergency notification.

Larry Reid (WEM) briefed the Council. See Attachment #1, 7/15/09 HLS Open Meeting. Our efforts include the involvement of multiple state agencies and their representatives. The Inter-Agency workgroup meets every other month. Members feel that they could work more closely with the Council and become an action arm.



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11. Update by DNR on the Columbus Chemical Industries event.

There was no update.

12. Other business.

None.

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

Chair Dunbar announced that there will not be a Council meeting in August. He added that the 2009 WI Homeland Security Annual Report will be presented to the Governor in September, although not on the usual third Wednesday of the month.

14. Adjournment.

A motion was made by David Woodbury and seconded by Dave Collins to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

11:10 a.m. – Meeting adjourned.