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Open Session Meeting Minutes

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2400 Wright Street, Classroom 230
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Wednesday November 14, 2018
9:12AM – 9:40 AM

Members present: Chair Major General Donald Dunbar (DMA), David Cagigal (DOA), Chief David Erwin (Capital Police), Patrick Hughes (DOC), Sheriff David Mahoney (Badger State Sheriff's Association), and Chief Steven Riffel (Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association).

Members absent or excused: Chief Kevin Bierce (Fire Services), Commissioner Mike Huebsch (PSC), Dr. Jonathan Meiman (DHS), Chief Alfonso Morales (Milwaukee Police Department), Brian O'Keefe (DCI), Brian Satula (WEM), Bruce Slogoski (APWA-WI), Kelly Smithback (DATCP), David Woodbury (DNR), and WSP vacancy.

Alternates present: Andrew Bohage (PSC), Chris DeRemer (WSIC), Greg Engle (WEM), Eugene Essex (COOP/COG), Michael Linsley (DATCP), Jeff Phillips (DHS), Jenniffer Price (DCI), Captain Cheryl Ravenscroft (Capitol Police), Todd Schaller (DNR Brevet), and Lieutenant Paul Wolfe (WSP Brevet).

Others present: Randi Milsap (DMA), COL Jeffrey Alston (WING), Jeff Anderson (USAO), Scott Blader (USAO), LTJG Bridget Brown (USCG), Tom Czaja (OEC), MAJ Sarah Frater (WING), Tori Gaskill (FBI), Lori Getter (WEM), Mike Hinman (DMA), Jay Jurci (DCI), Melinda Landon (OEC), 1LT Tricia Larson (DMA), LTC Eric Leckel (WING), Elizabeth Makowski (USAO), Mark Michie (WING), Bill Nash (DOA/DET), Katie Reinfeldt (DMA), MAJ Andrew Weiler (WING), and Jody Wormet (DOT/DSP).

9:12 AM: Re-convene in open session.



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5. Announcement of open session discussion and action.

Chair Dunbar recapped the closed session, which included review and approval of previous meeting minutes as well as agency and working group confidential intelligence reports. There was no strategic briefing on intelligence and threats.

6. Review and approval of October 17, 2018 open session meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Chief David Erwin and seconded by Chief Steven Riffel to approve the open session meeting minutes, as presented. **Motion carried.**

7. First Responder and Agency reports.

- WSP (Lieutenant Paul Wolfe): I would like to mention, for this session, that over the past few years our agency has further improved EOD canine capabilities and tactical teams, which are used in conjunction with other state agencies. We have seen robust use of these tactics in public venues. They were also utilized during the recent election season. They are clearly protective measures used in collaboration and coordination with other agencies. I think this is noteworthy, as they are consistent with the State's Homeland Security strategies in coordination with partnering agencies.
- Capitol Police (Captain Cheryl Ravenscroft): Nothing to report.
- DHS (Jeff Phillips): 1) The reports of influenza-like illness have dramatically increased and doubled from September's report. We have a concern about this year's influenza season as we have seen a sharp decrease in vaccinations for children under four years of age and about the same decrease in the adult population. We are concerned this could lead to a higher incidence of influenza in the state. 2) In regard to the opioid outbreak, we have set up an incident command. We also must disburse three federal grants totaling \$1.3 million dollars through an RFP process to distribute and train local health agencies and non-profit groups in the use of Narcan. This funding will also provide EMS responders with training to appropriately respond to overdose situations. 3) Lastly, we have prepared an initial review of crisis standards of care.



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A contractor has been hired to look at planning, crisis standards, and best practices. We hope to have these in place by next year.

- Chair Dunbar: Based on what you are seeing, what is the efficacy of the vaccine this year?
- DHS (Jeff Phillips): This is a trivalent vaccine which includes H1N1 Michigan strain, the H3N2 Singapore strain, and the Victoria Lineage Colorado strain which appears to be quite effective.
- Badger State Sheriff's Association (Sheriff David Mahoney): Has DHS explored providing flu shots to inmates in county jails?
- DHS (Jeff Phillips): We do not, but local public health does. DHS coordinates across the state with local public health. Anyone concerned can contact their local public health department. There is funding to support that population.
- Badger State Sheriff's Association (Sheriff David Mahoney): Some of the most medically challenged populations end up incarcerated at some point within the course of a year.
- Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association (Chief Steven Riffel): First responders also have a low vaccination rate. I'm wondering if you think they push back on the mandatory requirement because of the recent polio incidents, and that's why they're not getting vaccinated.
- DHS (Jeff Phillips): Yes, I think that may be a matter of concern this year. We have not been heavily hit with the flu yet. I think if we start seeing those numbers increase, more people may see getting vaccinated as a good option.
- DNR (Todd Schaller): We want to remind folks that we have 190 law enforcement officers who are trained and equipped for cold weather incidents, along with several hundred ATVs and snowmobiles. We are willing to assist when needed.



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- WEM (Greg Engle): Since the last Council meeting, WEM received information that the federal presidential disaster declaration was approved for both Individual Assistance (IA) and Public Assistance (PA) for the summer flooding events. There were 2,153 registrations for IA in the amount of \$5.9 million, with \$5.4 million already disbursed. There were 382 Small Business Administration (SBA) applications with 56 SBA loan approvals. There are five Disaster Recovery Centers open on a walk-in basis which have received 759 visits from locals requesting assistance. Also, there have been 153 requests for PA which we will start working today.
- DCI (Jenniffer Price): Nothing to report.
- DATCP (Mike Linsley): 1) I'd like to provide an update on the Bovine Tuberculosis (TB) response. There was notification of a bovine TB positive cow reported to DATCP by USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL) on September 28, 2018. A Dane county dairy site was identified as the animal's location prior to slaughter. This herd was previously tested in 2015 after a worker tested positive for TB. The results during that test period were negative. A quarantine was issued October 1, 2018, and five sites associated with the farm were identified for testing. During testing, 48 animals were classified as bovine TB reactors. Based on subsequent testing, the highest priority animals were euthanized, and DATCP/USDA veterinarians collected samples for confirmation. DATCP received National Veterinary Services Laboratory results on October 29, 2018 which confirmed the herd was infected with bovine TB. The rest of the 48 reactor animals have been removed from the farm, and DATCP is awaiting test results which will determine the prevalence of bovine TB in the herd. Now that the herd is classified bovine TB-affected, all the reactor animals have been removed. USDA epidemiologists will initiate an epidemiological model to characterize the herd, considering disease prevalence in the herd and other factors. Based on this characterization, the USDA will recommend one of two methods to manage the TB-affected herd: whole herd depopulation or test and removal of potentially infected animals. The USDA will work with state officials and the herd owner to reach a final determination regarding the disposition of the herd. 2) DATCP will have a representative attending the USDHS Food and Agriculture Sector Government Coordination Council meeting in Washington, DC this week.



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- DNR (Todd Schaller): The DNR is now doing testing on the deer population surrounding the affected dairy premises.
- Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association (Chief Steven Riffel): Nothing to report.
- DOA/DET (David Cagial): Nothing to report.
- DOC (Patrick Hughes): Nothing to report.
- Public Service Commission (Andrew Bohage): Nothing to report.
- Badger State Sheriffs Association (Sheriff David Mahoney): 1) As a follow-up on the elections, thanks to the State Patrol for notifications to our county sheriffs. 2) As a result of the recent elections, we will now have 23 new sheriffs across the state. This will lead to training and preparedness initiatives. We will be hosting training in Eau Claire on December 11-13, 2018 with experts from federal and state agencies. 3) We are preparing our end of the year update to submit for the 2018 Annual Report.
 - Chair Dunbar: With twenty-three new sheriffs, will there be some type of orientation, like what the National Governor's Association does for new governors?
 - Badger State Sheriffs Association (Sheriff David Mahoney): Yes, the Wisconsin Department of Justice sponsors a training for incoming sheriffs at each new cycle and the new sheriffs will be invited to that.
- Fire Services: No representative present.
- Milwaukee Police Department: No representative present.
- APWA-WI: No representative present.



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8. Working Group reports.

- Joint Services Working Group (Mark Michie): Nothing to report
- CI/KR Working Group (Greg Engle): Nothing to report.
- Wisconsin Cyber Strategic and Planning Working Group (David Cagigal): 1) On October 30-31, 2018, the Wisconsin team attended the multi-state NGA Police Academy on Implementing State Cybersecurity along with Indiana, North Carolina, and West Virginia. The event included sharing sessions with all four states. We have a list of takeaways and will be meeting, after this meeting, to plan our next steps. 2) The State of Wisconsin along with private sector partners will have 20 cyber internships for the summer of 2019. We are planning to visit college campuses to solicit interest. We will be asking interested students to take a Cyber Start Assessment (SANS Product) including submitting their application and resume to be considered for an internship. The campus visits include Edgewood College (12/15/2018), Madison College (January 2019), UW Madison (TBD), Marquette University (12/7/2018) and others yet to be determined. 3) Ensuring reliably secured access to state government systems by local government partners is a key element of the state's overall cybersecurity framework. Services for Wisconsin residents that rely upon both the state and local governments for efficient delivery are only as strong as the weakest links within the systems. Recently, state agencies have encountered situations where system security could have been put at risk by a lack of consistently applied policies and processes at the local level. The good news is that improved security for systems shared by state and local government can be achieved through better communications and more focused efforts. This month we plan to send out the basic guidelines for preventing unauthorized access and safeguarding information on the state systems to our local government partners. These guidelines will help to ensure protection of our residents' personally identifiable information.
- Comprehensive Response Working Group (Greg Engle): 1) The working group met on November 8, 2018. We discussed the EMAC After Action Report regarding hurricane responses this year. 2) We will be finalizing the EMAC Operating Guidance for Wisconsin and will begin training that in 2019 at a breakout session at the Governor's Conference. 3) A draft on guidelines for information sharing across statewide systems, such as WebEOC, will



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be finalized soon.

- Information Sharing Workgroup (Chris DeRemer): Wisconsin and DMA were well represented on election day at the Fusion Center located in Alexandria VA, with Wisconsin having occupied about 20% of the room. USDHS Secretary Nielsen attended, walked around the room, spoke to the analysts, and asked questions. It was a great opportunity to see the Fusion Center.
- Chair Dunbar: 1) I would like to invite 1LT Tricia Larson to update you on the 2018 Annual Report.
 - DMA (1LT Tricia Larson): I have sent everyone an electronic version of last year's Annual Report on Wisconsin Homeland Security. Please update your portion to reflect initiatives for 2018.
- Chair Dunbar (cont.): 2) If there is any council member, or designee, interested in participating on a team to update the Wisconsin Homeland Security Strategy for the next gubernatorial term, please let Mike Hinman know. We will put together a team early in the calendar year with a target of spring 2019 to complete the Strategy. 3) In regard to the recent election, there was a lot of great teamwork across the state, with DET having a leadership role. Wisconsin was a leader. This is a callout to Meagan Wolfe with the Wisconsin Elections Commission for a job well done. 4) We need to start thinking about the 2020 presidential election which will also include a third of the House and Senate seats. There are perpetrators who will be interested in impacting those elections. We want to improve on the great things we did this year. 4) Tom Czaja from the Office of Emergency Communications is here, and I would like him to comment on some great news that we just received.
 - Office of Emergency Communications (Tom Czaja): As a update on WISCOM, Wisconsin operates on 250 different frequencies. We had 25 of those frequencies with FCC licensing issues. State Patrol had been working hard to convince the FCC that we needed those frequencies. Jim Westover has done a great job in assisting us with this. The good news is that we found out yesterday that the FCC has approved the licenses. Had they denied the licensing, it would have cost approximately \$20,000 per site to



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replace the equipment, so we have saved the taxpayers a lot of money.

9. Other business:

- Chair Dunbar: Lastly, we have a report from Tori Gaskill of the FBI.
- FBI (Tori Gaskill): On October 22, 2018, we arrested an individual, Jeremy Ryan, for attempting to purchase polonium on the Dark Web. We have reason to suspect he had specific targets. He stated the purpose for the purchase was due to his cancer diagnosis, although his family states he does not currently have, nor has he ever had cancer. We are in the process of obtaining his medical records. The arraignment will be tomorrow.

10) Set date, time, and place of next meeting.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, December 19th, 2018 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at DMA.

11) Adjournment

A motion was made by David Cagigal and seconded by Greg Engle to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM.