Open Session Meeting Minutes

Department of Military Affairs
2400 Wright Street, SEOC Training Rooms A104/A105
Madison, WI

Thursday, May 16, 2019
9:17AM – 9:41 AM

Members present: Chair Major General Donald Dunbar (DMA), Chief Kevin Bierce (Fire Services), Ronald Hermes (DOC), Chief Patrick Mitchell (Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association), Brian O’Keefe (DCI), Brian Satula (WEM), Kelly Smithback (DATCP), and David Woodbury (DNR).

Members absent or excused: Superintendent Anthony Burrell (WI State Patrol), David Cagigal (DOA), Chief David Erwin (Capital Police), Commissioner Mike Huebsch (PSC), Sheriff David Mahoney (Badger State Sheriff’s Association), Dr. Jonathan Meiman (DHS), Chief Alfonso Morales (Milwaukee Police Department), and APWA vacancy.

Alternates present: Matthew Crampton (DOA), Teresa Hatchell (PSC), David Melby (DOC), Jennifer Price (DOJ), LT Branco Stojasavljevic (Milwaukee Police Department/STAC Brevet), Colonel Chuck Teasdale (WSP), and Trina Zanow (DOA/DET Brevet).

Others present: Ryan Nilsestuen (Governor’s Representative), Randi Milsap (DMA), LTC Max Brosig (WING Provost Marshal), PSA John Busch (DHS/CISA), CPT Sarah Czepczynski (DMA J2), Michael Hinman (DMA), Melinda Landon (DMA), COL Eric Leckel (WING), Elizabeth Makowski (USAO), Tanner Nystrom (USAO), Brian O’Heron (DOC), Matthew O’Neill (DHS/TSA), Col Kevin Philpot (COS-J5), Katie Reinfeldt (DMA), and Harold Sommer (TSA).

9:17 AM: Re-convene in open session.
5. **Announcement of open session discussion and action**

Chair Dunbar recapped the closed session, which included review and approval of previous meeting minutes, agency and working group confidential intelligence reports, and a strategic briefing on intelligence and threats.

6. **Review and approval of March 17, 2019 open session meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Brian Satula and seconded by Colonel Chuck Teasdale to approve the open session meeting minutes, as presented. *Motion carried.*

7. **First Responder and Agency reports.**

- **WSP (Colonel Chuck Teasdale):** Nothing to report.
- **Capitol Police:** No representative present.
- **DHS:** No representative present.
- **DNR (David Woodbury):** Not much to report except that we are at the end of wildfire season.
- **WEM (Brian Satula):** 1) I would like to welcome everyone to the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC). We are meeting today in one of the SEOC breakout rooms. I know a lot of you have had attended meetings in here before, but if anyone would like a tour of the SEOC after the meeting let me know. 2) We recently held the SIMCOM exercise in Waukesha on May 1-3, 2019. I would like to thank everyone who was involved including our federal, state, and local partners. We were also fortunate to have USNORTHCOM participate in this exercise. The Wisconsin National Guard was involved as they have been in past years and this year they co-planned the exercise with us. We have previously talked about power outages and what it would mean if we lost communications, with a focus on loss of computers, cell phones, and other devices. We wanted to take those communication elements out and get back to basics to a time when we had no radios, computers, cell service or computer-related systems. We went back to a simplex situation and how we would transfer information during an incident. It was
a great exercise all around. 3) For those connected to grant programs, several are being rolled out now, to include; the Homeland Security grant, EMPG performance grant, and EPCRA grants. 4) I participated in a FEMA regional meeting on the National Flood Insurance Program. FEMA is developing a national culture of preparedness with an emphasis on flood insurance. They are rolling out informational guides to help communities gain understanding of what it’s about and how to acquire flood insurance. Most people do not hesitate to take out homeowner’s insurance to protect against fire but there is an ever-greater risk of homes flooding. You do not have to be in a flood plain, it could be just surface water. This is like the flooding events we had last year in the Dane County metro area and it is predicted that we will be seeing more of that as time goes on. 5) WICAMS credentialing has 65,000 individuals in that system right now, which includes first responders and state employees. It is a really great database which is now being used by the State for IDs and access to different state building. I want to thank all of you who are part of that system.

- Chair Dunbar: Is WICAMS under the DMA umbrella or the State umbrella?

- WEM (Brian Satula): DMA manages the database and the system. Each responder/agency has their own account, so they can enter and credential their own personnel. It’s a cloud-based system that does not depend on a DMA server. It is actually closer to the WebEOC system.

- DOA/DET (Trina Zanow): It is not under DOA and it is not housed in WEM; it’s in the cloud with a contractor.

- DCI (Jennifer Price): Nothing to report.

- DATCP (Kelly Smithback): 1) Last week, DATCP had their 2nd Annual Veterinary Medicine Disaster Selective at the University of Wisconsin Veterinary School which is a hands-on experience for second-year veterinary students to respond to emergency situations with animals. We also received assistance from the Wisconsin National Guard for technical support and this was an opportunity for the students to observe animal decontamination. Fifteen veterinary students attended this event. 2) On Wednesday May 29, 2019, the assistant State Veterinarian and staff will discuss an animal disease outbreak at a poultry conference
sponsored by Barron County. In the afternoon, Becky Slater will facilitate a tabletop exercise on avian influenza.

- **DOA/DET (Trina Zanow):** As I mentioned last month, we are in the process of implementing InfoSec’s Security IQ solution for our 2019 state employee security awareness training program. We are still on track for implementation no later than the end of June 2019.

- **Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association (Chief Patrick Mitchell):** Nothing to report.

- **Badger State Sheriffs Association:** No representative present.

- **DOC (Ronald Hermes):** I am not sure if this was mentioned earlier in spring, but there had been comments by a few legislators that had mentioned having to call in the Wisconsin National Guard to help out with State maximum security prisons due to high vacancy rates at DOC. Waupun is approaching 34% vacancy. A move was made last week by the DOC Secretary that will help with that vacancy rate. This will involve add-on pay which we believe will significantly lower the vacancy rate. At this time, we have no plans to call in the Wisconsin National Guard.
  - Chair Dunbar: Good luck. There is a history with the Wisconsin National Guard being called out in the 1970s due to labor strikes.

- **Fire Services (Chief Kevin Bierce):** Nothing to report.

- **Public Service Commission (Teresa Hatchell):** Nothing to report.

- **Milwaukee Police Department (LT Branco Stojsavljevic):** Nothing to report.

- **APWA-WI:** No representative present.

8. **Working Group reports**

- **Joint Services Working Group:** No representative present.
• **CI/KR Working Group (Brian Satula):** I will report for Greg Engle. Regarding long-term power outage exercises, WEM is planning an exercise with the U.S. Corp of Engineers to assess power infrastructures. The assessment will take place June 24, 2019. We have identified 100 sites for assessment including state facilities, water facilities, long-term care, shelter sites, and other goals of CI/KR.

• **Comprehensive Response Working Group (Brian Satula):** 1) At our meeting on May 9, 2019, we worked on a new damage assessment process that was used this spring with the meltdown of an ice flow. We were able to use it in a graphical form so that we could see where the damage was occurring around the state. The goal is to have it in real time, so we can actually see where the damage is occurring throughout the state. 2) We also talked about the DNC planning process and the multi-agency concept of operations.

  o **DNR (David Woodbury):** My understanding is that it’s still a work in progress.

• **Wisconsin Cyber Strategic and Planning Working Group (Trina Zanow):** 1) While the program has concluded, the Wisconsin team continues to work on the goals from the National Governors Association (NGA) Policy Academy. Over the last two days, General Dunbar, Mark Michie, Greg Engle, David Cagigal and Bill Nash represented Wisconsin at the NGA's National Summit on State Cybersecurity in Shreveport, LA. This provided the opportunity to share our experiences with the other states as well as learn what other states are doing. As part of the conclusion of the Policy Academy program, the NGA provided a letter on April 26, 2019 to Governor Evers highlighting outcomes from the Policy Academy and our team’s efforts to advance Wisconsin's cybersecurity. Our team’s goals were to: improve cybersecurity at the state, local, and tribal level; develop an engagement strategy for reaching out to local and tribal governments to share cyber risks and share best practices; establish a workforce development pipeline as a means to attract new cybersecurity talent; formalize a plan to strengthen governance of the Wisconsin Cyber Strategy and Planning Working Group; develop a strategy to guide the group into the future; and to create a plan to guide the deployment of Wisconsin’s Cyber Response Teams when requested to assist in a cybersecurity event. 2) The Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC) is planning a number of election-related tabletop exercises (TTX). Some exercises are still in the planning phase and are based on the availability of our
federal partners at USDHS. On June 5, 2019, the WEC will be hosting an election security TTX event at the Pyle Center in Madison, WI. This event will be an opportunity for WEC’s security partners to participate in the TTX program they have developed for Wisconsin’s local election officials. On June 18-20, 2019, USDHS will be holding a virtual election security TTX with election officials from across the country. This event will be like the one hosted in August 2018. Unfortunately, WEC staff were unable to attend last year’s event as it fell on the same day as Wisconsin’s primary election. On August 14, 2019, USDHS’s cyber exercise planning team will be coming to Wisconsin to hold a Wisconsin-specific TTX event. This TTX will be like the one that was conducted in October 2018. WEC will be inviting state partners as well as county and local election officials to participate. Last week, the WEC applied for our state to participate in the 2019 National Governors Association Policy Academy on Elections Cybersecurity. If Wisconsin is selected, the NGA will assist Wisconsin to drive improvements in election cybersecurity. 3) As I mentioned at the last meeting, the State of Wisconsin, along with private sector partners, has 20+ cyber internships for the summer of 2019. Our partners are now in the process of reviewing and selecting students from the pool of candidates for these internships. 4) As a reminder, the date has been set for the 2019 Cyber Summit and planning is under way. Please mark your calendar for September 23, 2019. 5) Planning is underway for cyber response team exercises for September 10-11, 2019. These exercises may include tabletop exercises assisted by USDHS as well as range exercises that are being discussed with the Wisconsin Cyber Threat and Response Alliance. 6) David Cagigal participated on a panel with General Dunbar and Jeff Thomas from the PSC at the Public Utility Institute Conference held on the UW campus to discuss public utilities resilience and susceptibility to cyber threats and attacks.

- **Information Sharing Workgroup (Brian O’Keefe):** Nothing to report.

- **Chair Dunbar:** 1) The DNC 2020 Executive Committee has been formed and they held the first meeting on May 22, 2019 in Milwaukee. They asked for all members of the Executive Committee, to include state and local members, to submit names for the 23 Subcommittees by May 31, 2019. As I learn more, I will update the Council. 2) I attended the NGA National Summit on State Cybersecurity held in Shreveport, LA. They did a great job fleshing out how the different State’s approach cyber, especially in the electric and water utility environments. We recently met with Kaukauna to look at sewage utilities. It’s not all the same in Wisconsin,
and we do not have critical infrastructure of national importance. We are working to build a strong relationship with private entities to make sure we understand their needs. 3) With regard to the upcoming presidential election, I would like to add that it’s great to see the partnership from USDHS. 2020 promises to be a Superbowl type of event and it will certainly be more complicated than in 2016 and 2018. In the Mueller Report, forgetting the politics, Russia did impact the 2016 election and what they did is quite extraordinary and it’s important for the U.S. to be prepared for the next election. I will invite Ms. Meagan Wolfe to come back to discuss the vision going forward. She is the Administrator of the Wisconsin Elections Commission and I look forward to working with the Commission into 2020.

10. Other business:

- **Chair Dunbar:** I would like to introduce Matthew O’Neill who is as the new Assistant Director at TSA in Milwaukee.
  
  - **DHS/TSA (Matthew O’Neill):** Thank you sir. I was previously based in Puerto Rico, where I focused on terrorism and narcotics. Before the Caribbean, I was in New York and worked in counterterrorism.

11. Next meeting:

- **Chair Dunbar:** The next Council meeting will be held Wednesday, June 19, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at DMA.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by David Woodbury and seconded by Ronald Hermes to adjourn the meeting.

**Motion carried.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:41 AM.**