



**Florida APCO Board Meeting
Conference Call
1 (571) 317-3122
Access Code 340-248-077
Thursday September 17, 2020 1200p.m.**

Roll Call: Present: James, Vonda, Ricky, Tom, Jennifer, Kathy, Jacqi and Mary
Not on Call but excused: Pam and Eddie

Approval of Minutes: *Minutes from meeting on August 20, 2020 approved. Tom made the motion, Ricky seconded and all agreed.*

Board Reports:

- Treasury Report: Mary had nothing significant to report.
- Secretary Report: Jacqi advised that all paperwork has been received and filed to pay for our first RPL Scholarship in January of 2021.

Committee Reports:

- ProCHRT: Tom advised he will be getting with Richard about our next steps to make certified Public Safety Telecommunicators in Florida designated as First Responders. Will also talk about possibly reducing the years in the FRS to be eligible for full retirement.
- Training: Vonda advised the training committee is working on Virtual vetting of instructors and lesson plans.
- TERT: There have not been any formal requests for TERT assistance due to the recent hurricane activity.
- Public Affairs/Social Media/Newsletter: The newsletter needs to be re-worked due to all of the changes with the pandemic and the cancelling of the conference. Kathy is targeting for a Fall distribution on this.
- Conference Planning: Jennifer requested that St. Pete recommend a Conference Chair for FL APCO 2021. Jacqi and Mary will work on this and provide that person with Jennifer's contact information. Conference planning meetings will start next month. Members were asked to think about themes. James and Tom will be looking at the contract and getting with the Hotel for contingency plans in case restrictions are still in place in St. Petersburg in May of 2021.

Executive Council: Ricky shared that there are two new Board members and the strategic plan is in its final revision and should be distributed in the near-term future.

Vendor Representatives: Eddie: Nothing to report

General Discussion: James advised that he has finished the revisions to the Chapter Conference Manual (updated in 2012 but not published). He will distribute the draft to the board in the next few weeks for Board input and approval. The Policy Manual also needs to be reviewed and updated. James suggested distributing the document and then scheduling a Zoom meeting to discuss revisions, so we can get this completed in a timely manner.

Due to the International Meeting being cancelled discussion to schedule a Virtual General Membership was held. The board agreed this would be a good idea and the meeting was scheduled for November 19, 2020 at 1600 hours. Jacqi and Vonda will work on advertising this event on PS Connect, social media and the website. The meeting will include a give-a-way for attendees.

At 1244 hours Vonda made a motion to adjourn, Jacqi seconded and all agreed.