

Tri-Com Central Dispatch

POLICE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes from May 6, 2020

Members Present: Commander Brian Maduzia, Geneva PD; Deputy Chief Chuck Pierce, St. Charles PD; Deputy Chief Glenn Autenrieth, Batavia PD; Chief Pat Rollins, Sugar Grove PD; Director Joe Schelstreet, Tri-Com

Members Absent: Deputy Chief Randy Endean, South Elgin PD; Chief Nick Sikora, Elburn PD; Sergeant Larry Stefanski, Waubensee PD;

Also Present: Andrew Kunstler, Interim Training Coordinator, Tri-Com
Tammy Kleveno, CAD Administrator, Tri-Com
Kristina Rohrbach, GIS Analyst, Tri-Com
Shevon Sherod-Ramirez, Administrative Assistant, Tri-Com

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 P.M.; and was held via GoToMeeting.

Update on COVID-19:

Director Schelstreet reported the following:

- CAD Administrator, GIS Analyst, and Administrative Assistant are working in the office 1-2 days per week and remotely the rest of the time.
- The contingency staffing plan has not been used.
- The building is sanitized every two weeks.
- New screening questions from Southern Fox Valley are being used.

Update on StarCom:

Director Schelstreet reported the following:

- It is going well. Dispatchers have reported an issue when switching from PD1 to PD2. They are trying specifically state “talk group” instead of using the channel because all radios are programmed differently.
- If you have any programming concerns, contact Director Schelstreet.
- The fire agency aliases are completed.
- Waiting on code plugs to schedule programming with Chicago Communications.
- Only two fire agencies have digital fire station alerting. Simulcasting will probably continue for a couple years.
- Nicor needs to make changes to the pressure at the Sugar Grove tower. The pressure was originally set at 1/4 and needs to be at 2 pounds.

Update on Basement:

Director Schelstreet reported the following:

- The water has slowed down. It is still coming in the south wall in the training room.

- The loan information for the project to move the generator and install drainage tiles will go to the board for approval. This project should take care of the issue for 10-15 years.

Update on Microwave:

Director Schelstreet reported the following:

- The microwave will help to get rid of phone lines. The fire lines will need to stay in place over the next couple of years.

Update on Staffing:

Director Schelstreet report the following:

- Two trainees just started.
- Applicant testing will be starting soon.
- There were 19 applicants for the Deputy Director position. Geneva Human Resource will review applications and remove any that do not meet the minimum qualifications. The qualified candidates will complete a written exercise and be interviewed.

CAD Concerns:

Tammy Kleveno reported that there were some updates for fire related items. St. Charles PD had some issues with MCTs. She is trying to find out what is causing the issues. There is a new upgrade to the Freedom App on the training side. There are Soundex changes that correctly allows running by zip code or city.

GIS Concerns:

Kristina Rohrbach stated that last meeting there was discussion on getting accurate business and occupancy information. Tri-Com is now getting updates from the cities. Occupancy changes are coming from FireHouse. A report is run and seems to be the most accurate way to get the information. If you have information on new addresses or changes, please email them to her. Also, if you need a login for the dashboard, let her know.

Training Concerns:

Andrew Kunstler reported that there are four trainees currently. There are many calls coming in to report citizens not practicing social distancing, improper mask use, and non-essential businesses open. Dispatchers are notifying the officer in charge.

St. Charles:

Deputy Chief Pierce reported that Peacock might retire at any time. Griesbaum is retiring on July 6. There will be promotions to replace these positions.

Geneva:

None

Batavia:

Deputy Chief Autenrieth asked about the sound quality of the voice on StarCom. Director Schelstreet stated UHF works off of vibration and StarCom is digital and it will take some getting used to.

Elburn:

Absent

Sugar Grove:

Chief Rollins reported that they were able to get the Kenwood radios to operate on the StarCom platform. They have not had any complaints regarding scanners not being able to pick up encrypted radio channels. He has offered tours once reopened.

Elgin Community College has asked for an MOU. Director Schelstreet stated that Aurora Central has asked about an MOU also.

Chief Rollins stated that some talk groups are missing (BD, BY). Director Schelstreet will look into this.

Director Schelstreet stated that if anyone needs an interoperability guide, let him know.

Waubonsee:

Absent

South Elgin:

Absent

Other Business:

None

Action Items:

Schelstreet: Ask Chicago Communications about missing zones (BD, BY)

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 2:38 P.M. The next meeting of the Tri-Com Police Operations Committee is Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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