

## Minutes of the November 2005 APCO Chapter Meeting

Robby called the meeting to order and the chapter performed the Pledge of Allegiance.

Robby introduced Greg Sigmon with OnStar. Greg gave his background with OnStar. Onstar has 3 call centers that handle different type calls but all Emergency calls are handled here or Oshawa Canada.

They handle more than 200,000 calls per month and tours of the facility will be given after the meeting.

Rob recognized Marsha Withrow as a new chairperson of a committee established by Rob and Donna to help coordinate all meetings this year. Marsha spoke and thanked Paul Branton and Steve Lomax for hosting the meal for todays meeting. She also thanked Jodi and Greg with Onstar for all of their help.

Rob recognized first time attendees.

Rob announced that some of the future meeting dates were in conflict with the NC Wireless Board meetings so the dates have been changed. These date changes will be posted on the websites.

Greensboro, Edenton, and Cherokee Meetings were affected.

The reading of the last meeting minutes were dispensed with since they were posted on the website. Motion by Donna Wright and Seconded by Jerry Boggs.

Treasure Report – Beth was not present but Susan Waddell gave the report.

Checking – 7,790.39

Money Market – 38,689.60

PSAP – 1,470.72

Net worth – 47,950.80

There will be account set up showing funds in the Telecommunicators Conference Fund.

Kelly Palmer gave an update on the PSAP News. We are looking for vendors for ads in next years PSAP. She hopes everyone will keep their ad and that we can find some new vendors this year.

Committee Chairpersons were announced by Rob.

Activities and Membership – Susan Waddell, Chair

Resolution and ByLaws – David Dodd

Nominating – Craig Blackwood

Historical – Terry Bailey

Operational/Technology – TBA  
Interagency – Marc Sessoms  
Frequency Advisory – Rodney Spell  
E-911/Legislative – No Chair, David Dodd, Frank Thomason, Jim Soukup  
Training – Deborah Conner  
Long Range Planning – Rob Robinson  
Audit – Jimmy Jones  
Awards – Kelly Palmer  
National Conference – Rob Robinson

National Conference back to Charlotte is not possible until 2016 per National APCO.

#### Region Reports:

A – None

B- Durham is going to OSSI CAD and Watson Furniture. Tonya Leaving to go to OSSI, Barry Fury will be taking Philip Penny's position as the New Director of Raleigh-Wake 911.

C – None

D – Neal Sizemore reported for Randy Surratt. Forsyth County is putting in a new 911 Phone System by Interact bringing on AVL and MosCad.

E – Burke County is doing updates to equipment in Lenior, with OSSI. Cleveland upgrading to Power 911 and building the first of 3 800 radio towers.

F- None

NCAPCO Board meet a month ago and prepared it's budget for the upcoming year. Rob presented the budget, but due to training and one capital expense (new card making machine) the budget is not balanced. Close to \$10,000 has been spent per year over the last several years on training. Although the Board is still committed to providing training future training will have to be looked at carefully to find ways to provide training at either a reduced cost, or we will have to cut back on the training itself. Our Money Market has the money to cover the short fall. Wesley asked if the Board had determined a threshold amount or when the changes need to take place, and this time the answer is no, but Rob advised that he wanted the membership to be aware of this so that everyone could be thinking of how we want t handle this a group in the future. If expense are not reduced it could affect the over all financial health of the organization. David Dodd suggested that the threshold be a minimum of one years operating budget, however no motion was made on this at this time.

Rob advised the board also wants to purchase the card making machine that has been used as the last two conferences for membership ID's at future conferences, TERT, Board Members etc. Around \$4,000 is the cost of this machine and software. The NENA Board has agreed as trade off and for them to use the machine they would pick up the cost of refill cartridges and cards etc for the machine. David Dodd made a motion and it was seconded by Tonya Pearce. The motion carried.

The Executive Council report will be given in the next edition of the PSAP News. Frank thanked APCO for all their support.

Old Business – None.

New Business – The conference committee meet from both boards and both agreed to give a \$50 rebate to all that attended last years conference since it was cut short due to the hurricane. Both boards have also been talking to Red Flash a company that works with conference groups on promoting conferences. They have agreed to do a survey for us at no charge. At this time the board is looking at ways to increase attendance at our State Conference but have not committed to doing business with Red Flash at this point and time. Input from the membership is requested to help us determine the best avenue to pursue.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 20<sup>th</sup> possible at Cisco at RTP in Raleigh. Frank made a motion to adjourn.

Submitted by:

Marsh Withrow

Typed by Rob Robinson