

Meeting April 13, 2023

**REGIONAL HOMELAND SECURITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RHSOC)
SCOCOG CONFERENCE ROOM**

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RHSOC members present:

Sector	Primary	Present	Alternate	Present
Mayor or City Administrator				
	Tim Schook (Mountain Grove)		Beverly Hicks (Willow Springs)	X
County Commissioner				
	Gary Collins (Ozark County)		Ralph Riggs (Howell County)	
Private Industry/Public Utility				
	Myles Smith (Howell-Oregon Elec.)		Scott Hargus (Thayer)	X
Emergency Medical Service				
	Daniel Marshall (S H Co. Ambulance)		Ken McKenzie (Thayer)	
#911				
	Jeff Holman (Wright County Emergency Communications Center)		Curtis Ledbetter (Ozark County)	X
Volunteer Sector				
	Julie Stolting (Red Cross)		Vacant	
Education Sector				
	Tonya Woods (Thayer)		Melonie Bunn (Richards)	
Director of Emergency Management				
	Stephen Monticelli (West Plains)		Mark Bushong (Mt. Grove)	X
Chief of Police				
	Danny Bledsoe (Mountain Grove)	X	Brian Bunch (West Plains Police Dept.)	X
County Sheriff				
	Scott Lindsey (Texas County) (phone)	X	Dustin Boyers (Carter County)	
Chief of Fire				
	Mark Arnold (Thayer) Chair	X	Robbie Smith (Texas County)	X
County Health				
	Michelle Walker (Carter County)		Chris Gilliam (Howell County)	X
Homeland Security Response Team				
	Kurt Wilbanks (West Plains)		Chris Sterner (West Plains)	X
City or County Public Works				
	Stacey Monter (Cabool)		Shayne Eades (West Plains)	
Agricultural Sector				
	Mikeal Orchard (Mtn. View)		Eugene Ulmanis (West Plains)	
GIS				
	Daniel Franks (West Plains) Vice-Chair	X	Nate Franks (Howell County)	X
	Domenick Mastrangelo		Skyline Fire Department	
	Kent Edge		SEMA	
	Christel Cantrell		Howell County RFD	
	Teresa Tost		Ava FD	
	Joe Marsillo		Region G K-9 Team	

Kristin Kayser	OHS		
Phil Gildea	Lanton VFD		
Nick Heavrin	Mountain View		
Melissa Forester	Region G K-9 Team		
Mary Ficker	Shannon county EMD		
Stephen Wilkins	Raymondville FD		
Dan Mills	Raymondville FD		
Nick Saravara	OHS Cyber		
Aaron Begley	OHS CI/RR		
David Marley	Twin Bridges VFD		
Paul Davidson	Twin Bridges VFD		
Brain Davidson	Twin Bridges VFD		
J.T. Tooley	Twin Bridges VFD		
Wes Ellision	Willow Springs PD		
Alan Lewis	Willow Springs PD		
Will Pierce	Mountain View EMD		
Cass Martin	Ozark County Sheriff		
Brian Maydwell	Missouri 911		
Terrell Baker	Missouri School Boards' Association (phone)		
SCOCOG Staff Present:			
Melanie Barnett	Community Development Specialist		
Angie Ball	Communications and Marketing Coordinator		
Kelly Wise	Fiscal Officer		
Trent Courtney	Interim Executive Director		

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. The roll of voting members was taken and there was a quorum.

Danny Bledsoe moved to approve the April 2023 agenda. Mark Bushong seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Robbie Smith moved to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2023 meeting. Mark Bushong seconded and the motion carried.

**Speakers from the State of Missouri:
Aaron Begley – Critical Infrastructure**

Aaron introduced himself and outlined what his program does. He talked about infrastructure in Region G and added that work is being done on joint situational awareness and mapping critical infrastructure. He also discussed mapping fire stations and hydrants in the region. He said that this is important to plan and map before emergencies. Input is also needed as to what is in place for planning and recovery and what needs listed in GIS can be mapped out. Mark Arnold discussed critical infrastructure and the location and quantity of diesel pumps in the region. Trent asked if funds are available. Aaron said this is the first region that he has discussed this with. Melanie added that she would be interested in learning about the GIS portion.

Brian Maydwell – 911 Service Maps

Brian said that there will be funds available. His board's goal is to have immediate access to GIS statewide. A gap analysis has been performed. \$8 million statewide has been received for GIS from ARPA funds. They are going to ask for more ARPA funds. Work will be done to help local jurisdictions get up to all standards. He then outlined the ARPA process for getting those ARPA funds and added that this will benefit everyone from local to state levels. He went through how GIS layers will help 911 calls be rerouted in the future. There are monies available for the next generation 911.

Nick Sarvara – Cyber Security

He introduced himself and said that he is one of three cyber security specialists. He is responsible for holding workshops, etc. and stressed the need for leadership backing. He said cyber security is important to get implemented when disasters happen. He added that they perform vulnerability notifications for the whole state, and recently made 70 notifications regarding phone scams. They also look at threats on the dark web. In this region, they are looking at who is trying to target rural areas.

Mark Arnold thanked the speakers for attending.

Old Business

RHSOC Committee Status

Mark Arnold said the volunteer alternate position is still open. He said that he would contact Julie Stolting about an alternate.

Grant Updates: FY2019 – FY2020 – FY2021 – FY2022 – FY2023

Melanie said that in regard to FY2019, rescue supplies have been ordered. Regarding FY2020, the Licking radios will ship July 7. Regarding FY2021, everything has been ordered except the SCBA. FY2022 has been funded. Mountain View and West Plains should receive their radios and she is working on the K-9 orders. She added that FY2023 opened April 7, and applications are due May 12. Mark Arnold added emails were sent regarding the FY2023 application process, and please let me, Melanie, or Kristin know if you did not receive those. Mark Arnold added that we need to vote on transfer of equipment at this time. Melanie said that the Thayer Rural Fire Department would like to transfer six SCBA air packs to the Pottersville Fire Department. Cabool Police Department would like to dispose of five mobile radios which are obsolete. The West Plains HSRT and Fire Department would like to transfer two SCBA's to the Douglas County Sheriff, four to the Pottersville Fire Department, two to the Caney Mountain Fire Department, and two to the Mountain View Fire Department. They also had an ATV destroyed in the flooding that needs to be disposed of. The Thayer Police Department would like to make one radio and two in-car radios obsolete. Motion to accept was made by Mark Bushong and seconded by Beverly Hicks. Motion carried. Melanie then outlined the process for disposing of obsolete equipment.

Region G Training & Exercise

Kent said that SEMA is scheduling training toward the end of the year.

Mark Arnold said that this weekend a vehicle rescue class will be held at Squires. The first weekend in May, there will be a school bus rescue in Van Buren. The first weekend in June, there will be a vehicle driving class course in Ava. HSRT will be held the first Wednesday in June West Plains. Kent added that the IPPW was completed at the last meeting. He will send a list of trainings to everyone.

New Business

OHS

Kristin said Melanie will send out a packet regarding the DPS groups. She then outlined the application process. She said that in June would be the reviewer training, and then there will be two weeks to go over the applications. Voting will be in July. There is an application workshop on the website. If there are any questions, please contact her or Melanie. Regarding the peer review and scoring information, they require at least five from each district, and law enforcement must apply through the regionalization process. She encouraged all to take time and ask questions. There is a new section for interoperable equipment, and a quote is required. She advised not to skip sections and the more information submitted, the better.

HSAC

THIRA – Updates

Mark said that this is coming this year, and would like to see grant recipients participate, and to look for emails from me, Melanie or himself.

Interoperable Communications / MOSWIN – DPS

Agency Updates

SEMA

DNR

DHSS

DFS

Daniel said that the Division asked for an increase in funds for training, and it appears it will pass. He then stressed the importance of maintaining property taxes.

DOA

FYI and Other Items
Any other items that may come to the Board

Announcements

The next quarterly meeting date is July 13, 2023 at SCOCOG at 10:00, with the option to call in.

Mark Arnold said that if anyone needs help with grants, call Melanie. This year, on the project side, there will only be \$73,793.00 available.

Mark Bushong made a motion to adjourn, and the motion was seconded by Robbie Smith. Motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Approved for content
Mark Arnold