

**WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL
MEETING #12****July 17, 2012
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM****Wisconsin State Patrol Eau Claire Post
5005 STH 53 South
Eau Claire, WI****- Meeting Minutes -**
Draft – not yet approved

Present (14): John Ross-Chair (Jackson), Michelle Hartness-Vice Chair (Clark), Daniel Schreiner (Trempealeau), Nick Flugaur (Ho-Chunk Nation), Keith Butler (La Crosse), Gary Brown (Pierce), Craig Amundson (Taylor), Tom Hurley (Eau Claire), Pam McInnis (Eau Claire), Duane Grunst (Eau Claire), Randy Williams (Monroe), Cindy Struve (Monroe), John Andrews (Pepin), Jen Rambalski (Buffalo)

Absent (12): Timothy Blizek (Chippewa), Christine Gengler (Taylor), Wayne Nagy (La Crosse) Casey Swetlik (St. Croix), Chuck Ashbeck (La Crosse), Steve Schiffler (Buffalo), Kim Seipel (Pepin), Don Sinz (Pepin), Kristen Sailer (St. Croix), Lisa Olson-McDonald (WEM), Dennis Brown (Chippewa), Bruce Brantner (Dunn),

Others present (04): Eric Anderson (WCWRPC), Dave Bonifas (MRRPC), Tammi Bechel (Dunn), Jean Porter (WEM)

I. Call to order/roll call

John Ross called to order the meeting at 10:10am. Eric Anderson passed out a sign-in sheet.

II. Approval of minutes

Gary Brown made a motion to approve the minutes from the April meeting. Motion was seconded by Cindy Struve. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Public comment

There were no public comment.

IV. New business**Project 25 Radios**

Craig Amundson passed out two handouts and discussed the Project 25 Radios that Taylor County is using. There was discussion on radio programming, channels, use, and working with the State.

Narrowbanding/TICP County Updates

Eric Anderson stated that he will be sending out an email to the group regarding narrowbanding. In addition, Eric Anderson and Dave Bonifas will be sending out emails to work with counties on creating TIC Plans.

V. Other business

Eric Anderson brought up the issue of lack of quorums for other regional councils. After discussion, a motion was made by Gary Brown to officially declare Steve Schiffli inactive, as he is currently on active military duty. The motion was seconded by Dan Schreiner. Motion passed unanimously.

There was brief discussion on inactive members. Craig Amundson made a motion to official take Christine Gengler, Wayne Nagy, and Kim Seipel off the Regional Council, as Christine is never able to make it and Kim has retired. Dan Schreiner seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The current active membership is now at 22, and it will increase when Steve Schiffli returns in January.

Keith Butler asked the group if there was interest in having a radio exercise on their way to the meeting and on their way home from the meeting. There was limited interest, so there will be no exercises.

John Ross asked the group about PSAP connections. Eric Anderson will include in his email a question regarding if a county is complete and if not, when it will complete it.

VI. Next meeting date discussion

It was decided that that next Regional Council meeting would be held on September 18, at 10am. The location will depend on where the WEM meeting is held.

VII. Adjournment

Dan Schreiner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by John Andrews. John Ross adjourned the meeting at 10:54am.

Minutes submitted by: Eric Anderson

