

STATE 911 COMMITTEE
Legislative Action Subcommittee

March 7, 2019

Meeting Minutes

A. Call to Order/Introductions/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Lt. Col. W. Thomas Sands at 2:02 p.m.

Roll Call was taken.

Voting Members Present:

Lt. Col. W. Thomas Sands (Chair)
Ms. Patricia Coates
Ms. Lisa Hall
Ms. Jordyn Sellek
Ms. Cherie Bartram
Ms. April Heinze
Mr. Greg Clark
Mr. Tim Smith
Mr. Steven Berenbaum

Representing:

Michigan State Police
Courts & Law Enforcement Management Information Systems
Midland County Central Dispatch
Conference of Western Wayne
South East Regional Emergency Services Authority
Appointee, Speaker of the Senate
Public Member
Ottawa County 911
AT&T

Voting Members Absent:

Ms. Jennifer Greenburg
Mr. Jeff Troyer
Mr. Dale Berry
Mr. Bryce Tracy
F/Lt. Jay Poupard

Representing:

Telecommunications Association of Michigan
Appointee, Speaker of the House of Representatives
Huron Valley Ambulance
Mackinac County 911
Michigan State Police

Non-Voting Members Present:

Ms. Harriet Miller-Brown
Ms. Kristine Bond
Mr. Joel King

Representing:

State 911 Office
State 911 Office
Office of the Attorney General

B. Meeting Minutes Approval – February 4, 2019

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Jordyn Sellek, with support by Ms. April Heinze, to approve the meeting minutes of February 4, 2019, as presented. With no discussion, the **MOTION** carried.

C. Old Business

None

D. New Business

1. House Bill 4249 (MLTS)

House Bill 4249 of 2019 was introduced and appears to be a duplicate of the previous Senate Bill 413 of 2017 which died in committee. A hearing on HB 4249 was tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2019. There appears to be strong opposition from several associations.

The Michigan Communication Directors Association (MCDA) was contacted by the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), regarding the multi-line telephone system (MLTS) rules, and no specific demands for change were made. NFIB also indicated that it was not aware of the recent Federal laws (Kari's Law and Ray Baum's Act). Before the bill was introduced, the MCDA also met with Representative Hoytenga to discuss MLTS, the recent federal laws impacting MLTS, and request information. The MCDA while awaiting the information, has made multiple requests for a workgroup to be established.

MLTS has been around since 2005, so a brief history was given to the LAS members. The rulemaking was given to the Michigan Public Service Commission, and it completed the MLTS rules in 2011, the same year for the deadline to comply with the rules. The deadline for compliance has been extended twice and has a final extension deadline for compliance of December 31, 2019. Also, in 2015, the rules for the original 7,000 and 40,000 square foot requirements were readdressed for clarification and reissued at 7,000 square feet.

Many organizations that have MLTS have upgraded since 2011, and are compliant. MLTS has multiple facets historically regarding square footage which have been under scrutiny including the number of floors, multiple buildings, and the fact that all organizations have different facility uses. A common situation arises when the main trunk of the MLTS is in one location and the 911 caller of an incident is at another affiliated location. The lack of compliance from organizations make it difficult and even impossible to respond to the 911 caller. Also, since the MLTS rules were developed, there is newer technology including a wireless component. A workgroup, if established may be able to identify workable solutions if the specifics behind the current bill could be identified.

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Jordyn Sellek, with support by Mr. Tim Smith for the Legislative Action Subcommittee (LAS) to provide the State 911 Committee (SNC) with a letter of opposition to House Bill 4249 as written and include an offer to work towards a solution. With instructions that Harriet Rennie-Brown draft the letter and circulate it with the LAS members for revisions and pre-approval before the March SNC meeting, the **MOTION** carried.

E. Public Comment

None

F. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be June 10, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in the Centennial Room at the Michigan State Police Headquarters.

G. Adjourn

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Jordyn Sellek, with support by Ms Cherie Bartram, to adjourn the meeting. With no discussion, the **MOTION** carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.