

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Minutes	Communication Committee Meeting
Date	Friday July 19 th , 2019
Time	09:00 am CDST
Location	665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville Tennessee
Participants	Present: James Caudill (Region 1); Richard Holbert (Region 2); Mike McKeever (Region 3); Brandon Smith (Region 4); Allan Lovett (Region 5); Howard Thompson (Region 8); Brian Hupp (Region 6); and John Dabbs (Region 1 EMS Consultant) Absent: Lynn Mooney (Region 7);

Overall Lead	Topic	Summary / Decision	Assignments / Next Steps	Responsible Person	Time Frame
Mike McKeever	Roll Call	Roll call was conducted and a quorum was declared. (8 members present)	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mike McKeever	Old Minutes	No old minutes were available to view. Will review at next meeting.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mike McKeever	Review Purpose and Objectives	Review EMS Rules and Regulations including telecommunications plan for updates to improve radio and/or other communications for EMS services across the state.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Arnold Hooper	Director of Wireless Services/Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning to have more interest in the State system • Wanting to offer the ability to have other agencies on board to assist with upgrading the system. • Aiming for State-Wide usage. • Discussion ensued about interoperability. 	n/a	n/a	n/a
Arnold Hooper	Field Operations Guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have received from Homeland Security an ICTAP (Interoperable Communications Technical Assistance Program) grant that will fund converting the book into an application for Android and Apple. 	Timeline for completion will be stated by Homeland Security	n/a	At the TENA meeting on 9/9/19.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executed all contracts on State side. • Waiting for Homeland Security to finalize their contract. • Timeline for completion will be stated by Homeland Security. 			
Arnold Hooper	FirstNet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statewide contract is in place for those services. • Locals can purchase off of those services. • Will begin with making radio systems operational. • Meeting with FirstNet and ATT&T took place to discuss 2020 plans. 	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mike McKeever	TCA Code & Current EMS Rules	John supplied copies of the updated Code and Rules for review. Lengthy discussion on the review of the current EMS Rules concerning VHF radios.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mike McKeever	Communications Meetings	Discussion on making the Committee meetings monthly. It was verbally agreed upon by other members of the Committee.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mike McKeever	Open Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of a survey/questionnaire was discussed. • Discussed FirstNet and telemedicine concerns. • Bristol Motor Speedway-FirstNet will be present testing. • Creating rule on cell phone communications. 			
	Adjournment	Motion and second was received to adjourn. The motion passed on voice vote.			

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		The meeting was adjourned at 12:54 pm CDST and the next meeting is projected to be Friday August 30th, 2019 at 10:00 am CDST.			
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