

JOINT DISPATCH BOARD
Communications & Technology Building, Room 111/112
April 3, 2025

Committee Members Present: Joseph Jeanty, Dan Hartwig, Mark Knier, Jason Freiboth, and Ben Meinnert. Non-Committee members in attendance were Bill Jones, James Falkowski, Angela Obry, Rhonda Green, Melissa Neilson, Luke Kalista (virtual), Ashley Smits, Danny Hang, Bob Ziegelbauer, Todd Blaser, Jason Orth, Gerry Neuser, Josh Stradal, Chris Dallas, Todd Cummings, and Kevin Haese.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul Granger at 09:02 am.

Roll Call/Introductions: Roll call was completed at 09:07 am.

Public Comment:

Approve Minutes of April's Meeting: Dan Hartwig approved October's meeting minutes and seconded by Ben Meinnert.

Old Business:

- a. No issues with Portal XL or TYLER Programming.
- b. EMABAS - Par Checks issues are fixed. No other issues.

New Business:

- a. Upgrades - None
- b. Automatic Crash Notifications Discussion – Sheriff Hartman asked JDC to research the number of calls requiring actual assistance vs. false alarm calls for iPhone Crash Alerts.
- c. JDC ability to send text messages. Angela has the ability through Rapid SOS to initiate Chats with callers.
- d. Rapid SOS - Rapid SOS also has the capability to do mapping and offers video links that record and streams live footage.

Update from Emergency Services Department:

- a. Mass notification System – Everbridge is working well. Departments are still being entered into the system for inter-organizational messaging.
- b. Full Scale REP Exercise – Scheduled in June, mock exercises and training scheduled in April and May.
- c. January Tornado Exercise scheduled in September. Monthly meetings occurring for planning.

- d. Cyber Exercise April 1st and 2nd - completed. Manitowoc participated in the first ever county-SEOC exercise. The exercise went well and identified gaps the state will work on.
- e. Field Team Training April 15-17th. EM staff will participate on the 16th.
- f. NREP Conference in Charlette, NC April 21st-25th. Same time as the NFL draft and PB Exercise preparation. EM staff will not be participating this year.
- g. Language Line Services – Agencies are asking for a usage report by July.

Update from Public Works Department:

- a. Communications – Nothing new. 1st meeting with Motorola occurred on 4/2 regarding access consoles.

Update from Information Technology

- Ashley Smits reported the next AEGIS upgrade will go live is planned for 4/29.
- Ashley stated letters have been sent out informing the move to the cloud in 2027.

Next Meeting Date: June 5, 2025, 9:00 AM at the EOC

Adjournment: A motion was made by Sheriff Hartwig and seconded by Chief Ben Meinnert to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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