



Integrated Public Safety Commission

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Commission Quarterly Meeting Minutes

INDOT -TMC Conference room C, 8620 E 21st St, Indianapolis, Indiana 46219

Tuesday June 17, 2025

- 1) Call to Order (Captain Erv Faulk) 1:32pm
- 2) Roll Call (Yvonne Alexander)
 - a) Commission Members
 - i) Superintendent Anthony Scott- Absent
 - ii) Rumen Dimitrov- Present
 - iii) Benjamin Hunter- Absent
 - iv) Stephen Bartels- Absent
 - v) Ed Schroder- Present
 - vi) Jim Fulwider- Absent
 - vii) Jeremy Pell- Present
 - viii) Michael Crider- Present
 - ix) Michael Kutsko- Absent
- 3) Minutes of March 18, 2025 meeting (Michael Watkins)
 - a) It was moved by Michael Crider and seconded by Jeremy Pell to accept the March 18, 2025 meeting minutes as distributed. Motion passed.
- 4) Executive Director's Report (Michael Watkins)
 - a) Agency Staffing & Organization
 - i) 41 filled positions
 - (1) 2 positions will remain unfilled (Deputy Director & Emerging Technology).
 - (2) Requested pay bumps to those filing some of the job duties of those 2 positions. Some organizational changes will occur with this.
 - ii) Radio shop moved to Logistics/ERO
 - iii) Adam Philpott new PIO
 - iv) Kolleen Dillingham new Ethics Officer
 - b) Agency Strategic Planning
 - i) System Operation
 - (1) Infrastructure equipment upgrades for end-of-life equipment in 2028-2030-time frame. (\$6m)
 - ii) Capital Equipment Replacement – priority list
 - iii) Working with ISP on MOU for equipment, building maintenance.
 - c) Being a good partner to public safety
 - i) No longer charging labor for radio shop work to State agencies. Only charge for parts. Save app. \$75,000 to State agencies. Looking into being able to help local agencies as well.
 - ii) More State agencies utilizing radio shop services (INNG, Gaming).



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- iii) Supplying cache radios to local public safety agencies while their radios are in for repair.
- iv) Providing 7 PSAP's with back up radios.
- d) Mission – Vision – Values
 - i) IPSC approaching 26-year anniversary
 - (1) May all staff training team worked on reevaluating our mission – vision- values – priorities
 - ii) System Reliability & Capacity
 - (1) Proposal from other vendors for circuit management
 - (2) Need for improvement
 - (a) April 2024- April 2025 2,369 hours of site trunking
 - (b) Not all PSAPS have enough back up radios/abilities
 - (c) System Capacity: TDMA
 - (i) Ed Schroder- What are the two TDMA sites
 - (ii) Mike Watkins- Ft. Wayne and Westfield DOC as well as any new sites will be TDMA
 - (3) Goal: a reliable network with adequate capacity
 - iii) System Security & Integrity
 - (1) Reports and evidence of several programming violations
 - (a) talk groups programmed into radios without approval
 - (2) Encryption keys compromised
 - (3) What are we doing?
 - (a) Holding those accountable
 - (i) Jeremy Pell- What does accountable look like right now
 - (ii) Mike- Once have proof of document that a vendor did it, a tech goes to verify the audit trail in the radio and who did the programming incorrectly has to reprogrammed and IPSC staff verify; first time these vendors and programmers held accountable; next time we're going to have to pull your key; system key agreement has vagueness
 - (iii) Erv- Legislation added regarding Jamming; asked Legal if someone compromised our radio initially or if cloning then unable to have same radios on the system with the same ID; will put language together to present to superintendent
 - (iv) Jeremy- charge someone with a misdemeanor crime
 - (v) Erv- yes, but it's up to the prosecutor, if we can show them
 - (vi) Mike- jamming bill has criminal penalties; working on priority to make sure communication is open to report in an appropriate way that protects them but gives us the flexibility to investigate properly
 - (b) Rewriting system key agreements, procedures
 - (c) Working with Law Enforcement on investigations
 - (d) Working on long term solutions (legislation, policy)
 - (4) Legislative/ Policy & Trending Priorities
 - (a) BDA



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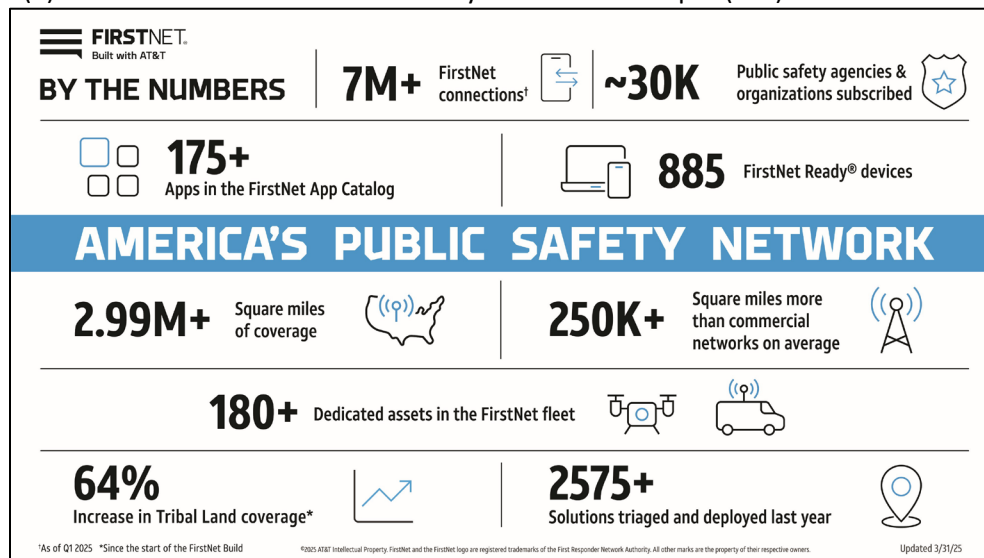
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- (i) increase usage statewide
 - (ii) Increase interference occurrences
 - (iii) FCC responsibility on system owners
 - (iv) Will become an area of growth for our agency
- (b) System Security
 - (i) Encryption theft/misuse
 - (ii) System security
- (5) Constituent Outreach/Response
 - (a) FirstNet Coverage enhancement workshop (CEW) in August 2025
 - (b) \$2B
 - (c) Jason Bradshaw- Will there a process for local partners to submit areas for possible infrastructure improvements with the FirstNet Reliability Enhancement Project?
Example: For a County Sheriff to submit specific communities with significant coverage issues?
 - (d) Mike- yes there will be a workshop but our intention of a portal to follow up continuously; capping it to about 16 people for the first meeting then reach out to SIEC then outreach through their local districts
 - (e) Join The Round Table 3rd Thursday On MS Teams 1 pm (EST)



- iv) FirstNet – Indiana New coverage sites: all 2025 Planned sites



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County	City	Site Candidate Approved	Site Acquisition Complete	Construction Start	On-Air
ALLEN	FORT WAYNE				Oct
BOONE	WHITESTOWN				12-Mar
CLARK	CLARKSVILLE		Jun	Jun	Nov
DEKALB	BUTLER				Oct
ELKHART	ELKHART				Oct
ELKHART	ELKHART			Jun	Nov
ELKHART	GOSHEN			Jun	Nov
ELKHART	MIDDLEBURY				30-May
FRANKLIN	LAUREL				Sep
HUNTINGTON	HUNTINGTON				Aug
HUNTINGTON	ROANOKE				Dec
KOSCIUSKO	CLAYPOOL				22-May
LAKE	DYER				13-Mar
LAKE	GARY				Jun
LAKE	LOWELL				Aug
MARION	INDIANAPOLIS				30-May
MARION	INDIANAPOLIS		Jun	Jun	Oct
MARION	INDIANAPOLIS				Sep
MONTGOMERY	LADOGA				Sep
NEWTON	GOODLAND				Sep
PORTER	VALPARAISO				Sep
PORTER	VALPARAISO				Nov
WHITE	MONTICELLO				Nov

5) Statewide Interoperability Coordinator Report (Michael Watkins)

a) SIEC

i) New charter proposed today, waiting for feedback and comment. Will vote on new charter next quarterly meeting.

(1) Adds tribal representation

(2) Adds IT representation

(3) Adds DNR representation

(4) Defines how someone becomes a member

b) ESF2 – Communications

i) 2 additional employees trained to staff ESF2 Desk

ii) Staffing ESF2 for IDHS FSE Wabash Valley Earthquake June 17-18

iii) SWIC attended National ESF2 Spring Training (virtually) May 20-21

iv) ESF2 advised SEOC for May 16th storms on cellular networks and the SAFE-T system

v) ESF2 activated for April 4-8 storms/flooding

c) FCC

i) Updated 7 Licenses

(1) LaGrange, Fountain City, Boonville, Bean Blossom, Flora, Pendleton, Muncie

ii) Updated Mishawaka License



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- (1) Site Move
 - iii) Comba class June 10-11
 - (1) BDA installation instruction
 - (2) 28 Students (10 from public safety provided free of charge courtesy of Comba)
 - iv) Region 14 RPC Meeting June 19th, virtual only
 - d) Training & Outreach
 - i) Meetings/Trainings:
 - (1) Pursuit Training (3), ILEA Recruit Class Radio (1), DPC/HCC Meetings (10), Planning Meetings (10), Exercises (2), 1:1 with EMA/911 (9), IN/OH Cross Border (1)
 - ii) Highlights:
 - (1) Brown Co POP Fest
 - (2) 911 Director Summit
 - (3) System Training- Dubois County, Switzerland County, Jefferson County, Randolph County
 - iii) IPSC academy
 - (1) May 16- Radio Etiquette, Jun 19- System Capacity, Jul 17- Site Trunking, Aug 21- Interop 101, Sep 18- PACE, Oct 16- Dark Sky Day Plan, Nov 20- FCC/BDA, Dec 18- GETS/WPS
 - iv) Join The Round Table 3rd Thursday On MS Teams 1 pm (EST)
- 6) Operations Report (Eric DeVoe)
- a) Field Services
 - i) Gen PMs 83% completed for YTD
 - ii) New HVAC tools purchase
 - iii) 81 HVAC jobs YTD
 - iv) 448 Generator jobs YTD
 - b) Field Services/MW
 - i) 804 radio programming jobs YTD (INDOT Project)
 - ii) 1,632 Total Jobs YTD
 - c) Capital Projects
 - i) UPS: 18/21 replacements completed.
 - ii) HVAC: 55/55 replacements completed. (13% of units replaced SW)
 - iii) Generators: 8/15 replacements completed.
 - iv) Replacements total \$2.58M towards equipment upgrades since FY24
- 7) System Administration Report (Michael Watkins)
- a) Number of calls- line graph shared
 - b) Number of Busies- line graph shared
 - c) Number of Subscribers- line graph shared
 - d) CriticalConnect
 - i) Expanding service from Regional Mutual Aid 3 to all Regional Mutual Aids. (Date TBD)



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- ii) Inter-system MOUs delivered and under review with Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, and Louisville.
- e) Wayne County Site Adds
 - i) Two new sites being added in Wayne Co.
 - (1) Centerville (County Highway) covering central and western Wayne Co.
 - (2) Fountain City (Northeast) covering northeastern Wayne Co. and southern Randolph Co.
 - ii) Construction was slated to start on 6/6/25.
- f) New Albany Police and Fire
 - i) New Albany is joining the IPSC system, transitioning away from the legacy NAFD system.
 - ii) 6 new wireline console positions
 - iii) 75 new APX NEXT radios for NAFD
 - iv) 90 new APX N70 radios for NAPD
- 8) Emergency Response Report (Tyler Clements)
 - a) Division Budget – eliminating cost
 - i) Additional Area(s) restructured within Emergency Response
 - (1) Radio Shop
 - (a) David Durbin, Doug Haygood, Matt Spencer
 - (b) Large IDNR LE Project that will soon include radio Emergency Button Programming
 - (c) Major Changes coming; complete overhaul of hardware system key program
 - (d) Increased number of local radios per agency for No-Cost analysis, quantity 6
 - (2) Logistics – Stock Room Supply
 - (a) Lisa Lockridge
 - (b) Study on weekly stock/parts supply trips to Northern, Southern areas of State / July Launch
 - ii) IACP Conference Speakers
 - (1) Smart Radio Technology in a Tactical Environment an All-Hazards Approach to Situational Awareness
 - (2) Day to Day ops, structure and deployments
 - (3) Portable and mobile radios
 - iii) Deployments
 - (1) Ripley Co. PSAP move
 - (2) Tippecanoe Co. / Lafayette FD LODD
 - (3) INDOT EMAC to Michigan
 - (4) Wayne Co. / Milton-Wash Twp. VFD LODD
 - (5) IDOC Clemency Hearings / Execution
 - (6) Indianapolis Int'l Airport Assistance
 - (7) Gibson Co. PSAP move
 - (8) Elkhart Co. Fair



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- (9) Indianapolis 500
- (10) Hoosier Burn Camp
- (11) Jennings Co. Sheriff OOS radios
- (12) Whitley Co. Rescue Task Force School Active Shooter Exercise
- (13) Fulton Co. LEPC Exercise
- iv) Erv Faulk- What did DNR adjust their emergency settings to
 - (1) Tyler- Open mic for 10 seconds then reverting to a special emergency talk group and advanced training for dispatch; did take a lot of feedback from ISP and appreciated it
 - (2) Mike- DNR has been wanting to do this for 5-6 years; now able to get it across the finish line with radios programmed and several years and able to get it across the finish line with testing, demo and make sure it works the way they want
- 9) Unfinished Business – Commission Members
 - a) None
- 10) New Business
 - a) None

Adjourn – It was moved by Ed Schroder and seconded by Michael Crider to adjourn at 2:12. Motion passed.