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Open Session Meeting Minutes

Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs
Classroom 230

Wednesday, November 10, 2010
10:23 AM – 11:11 AM

Members present: Chair Brigadier General Donald Dunbar (DMA), David Collins (WSP), Mike Hinman (WEM), Sheriff David Mahoney (Badger Sheriffs Association), Chief Brian Satula (Fire Services), and Chief Charles Tubbs (Capitol Police).

Members absent or excused: Oskar Anderson (DOA), Chief Edward Flynn (Chiefs of Police), David Steingraber (OJA), Chief Charles Tubbs (Capitol Police), Ed Wall (DCI), DATCP vacancy, DHS vacancy, and DNR vacancy.

Alternates present: Diane Christen (DHS Brevet Alternate), Dennis Drazkowski (DCI Brevet Alternate), Bill Engfer (DNR Brevet Alternate), Greg Engle (OJA), David Matthews (DCI), Larry Reed (WEM), Robin Schmidt (DATCP), Mark Wahl (DOA), Paul Wolfe (WSP Brevet Alternate), and David Woodbury (DNR).

Others present: Randi Milsap (DMA), Lynn Rasmussen (DMA), Brian Fox (DMA), Daniel Payette (DMA), Lori Getter (WEM), Larry Olson (DMA), BG Scott Legwold (DMA), Lt Col Steve Sherrod (DMA), MAJ Joseph Adamson (DMA), Chris Cole (FBI), Ed Gleason (USDHS), Lisa Heitman (USAO), Bob Kelley (USDHS), Elizabeth Makowski (USAO), Tim Pfrang (DMA), Karl Rabenhorst (FEMA Region V), Ed Rooney (DHS/TSA), LT Jason Smith (MPD), Eric Thomas (MPD), and Jacob Thomsen.

10:23 AM: Convene in open session.

After convening in open session, the council took a short break.



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10:33 AM: Re-convene in open session.

5. Announcement of closed session discussion and action.

Chair Dunbar recapped closed session, which included agency intelligence reports, approving October's closed session minutes, a briefing by DATCP and DET on the dairy control system evaluation in Wisconsin, and a strategic discussion on recent world events.

6. Review and approval of the October 20, 2010, open session meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Robin Schmidt and seconded by Mike Hinman to approve the October 20, 2010 open session meeting minutes as drafted. **Motion carried.**

7. First responder and agency reports.

- WSP (David Collins): 1) Wisconsin DOT had an internal winter preparedness briefing last week and a webinar going over the Emergency Transportation Operations (ETO) plan. It went very well. In fact, the ETO had its yearly scrubbing by reviewing the plan to see how we did with an aim for continued improvement. We are moving ahead for whatever the winter weather brings us. 2) We also have installed more permanent ramp gates that local officials know how to crank down in the event of ramp closures. They will be much more efficient than the orange and white barricade signs. The ramp gates have been a standard nationwide for years and we now have spread them out throughout our system. I am looking forward to having those as part of our toolkit for this winter.
- Capital Police (Chief Charles Tubbs): Nothing to report for open session.
- DHS (Diane Christen): Our yearly review in *Trust for America's Health* is due out in early December 2010. We know that some indicators will relate to biological terrorism preparedness, chemical terrorism preparedness, and whether the workforce is able to surge to staff a lab 12-hours a day for six to eight weeks. There is an indicator of whether or not states have laws to have written plans. Wisconsin has them. Another indicator is the funding level and whether it has gone up or down. The score should come out early in December.



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- Chair Dunbar: Does DHS get advanced notice on this report before the information goes to the public?
- DHS (Diane Christen): Yes, about a day prior to the release of the report.
- DNR (David Woodbury): We'll have more to report at the December 2010 Council meeting. Larry Reed and I will be attending a regional response team meeting in the interim.
- WEM (Mike Hinman): 1) WEM had four personnel attend EMAC advanced training in Springfield, Illinois. We also had an opportunity to view the Illinois EOC. They have a 20 million dollar EOC/fusion center and a very nice setup. We came away with some lessons learned. 2) Last week we kicked off our winter awareness campaign with Public Service Announcements (PSAs) featuring NASCAR Champion Matt Kenseth. We are pushing out some great winter preparedness ideas. I also want to note that Matt Kenseth donated his time for the PSA's. I appreciate his time and involvement in this campaign. We also have a trivia contest running off of our Ready Wisconsin website. 3) With the recent Presidential disaster declaration for the September torrential rains, we will house the FEMA team at Volk Field/Camp Williams. This is the first time that FEMA has utilized a federal/state facility; it is cost effective and will save taxpayer money.
 - Chair Dunbar: Great idea. Every dollar saved is good in this fiscal environment.
 - WSP (David Collins): That will be a good central location for them. It has easy access to the interstate.
 - Chair Dunbar: I want to complement Lori Getter and Tod Pritchard on the winter awareness campaign. I appreciate their efforts.



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- OJA (Greg Engle): 1) We have our annual round of exercise grants for distribution to counties and tribes. 2) In partnership with DOT, we sent folks to Texas to do factory acceptance testing for WISCOM. Everything tested out great. We are shipping 50 sites to Wisconsin in December 2010. DOT engineers will begin installing those and we are on track to meet our 70 percent of sites active by July 2011. We will begin bringing users on next spring. 3) Last week a report was issued involving long term power outage preparedness in Wisconsin. We had great collaboration with WEM, DATCP, and other partners. Fourteen tabletop exercises were performed and 1100 people participated. SOP recommendations and planning checklists were put together for state, county, local, and private sectors. It was a really great product that was a great example of collaboration at all levels of government. WEM played a key role, especially Tom Grayheck and Rhonda Reynolds. This was a great model that shows that through collaboration and good strategy you can take limited resources and develop a great product. Thanks to DATCP as well. The report is on our website or I could send it around. The working group will continue to meet and talk about next steps.
- DCI (David Matthews): To comment on the recent residential explosion in Sun Prairie – there are still people working out there and the news media is pretty accurate. It was a natural gas-type situation.
- DATCP (Robin Schmidt): 1) Yesterday I had a meeting with the FBI agro-terrorism workgroup. Mark Ormsby asked me to report on their international symposium for agro-terrorism. They pull industry folks and agencies together and hold workgroup meetings twice a year. It is a good networking opportunity for different industry groups. The FBI is holding their international symposium for agro-terrorism in April 2011. They haven't had it for several years because of funding issues, but they are on track for it this upcoming year. All of them have been phenomenal conferences. 2) The Multi-State Partnership for Security in Agriculture has been the source of different activities and projects and is thankful for the Homeland Security funding it has received. There are some products coming out in January 2011. Local rural preparedness guides will address farm issues from an all-hazards approach. We are also working on a series of just-in-time trainings for disaster response. We also provided risk communications training for executives. We



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were able to bring executive branches from DHS, DNR, and DATCP to do intense training for things you need to know in crisis situations. I'm optimistic that this will continue. I know in the past we have had WEM, DNR, and DHS participate so it was really good training. Hopefully that information will be shared as it moves forward.

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- DOA (Mark Wahl): We are continuing to work on our objective in the cyber element. On the November 2, 2010 we had a conference call with DHS, WEM, WI National Guard, WSIC, and the FBI and we talked through what capabilities to test. Our focus continues to be on interagency coordination in a cyber event. Our next meeting is on November 19, 2010 where we will update the cyber annex.
- Badger Sheriffs (David Mahoney): The Badger Sheriffs Association will be meeting on December 7-9, 2010 at Lake Geneva, WI for our winter conference. Twelve new sheriffs have been elected this cycle, some of which will not only oversee sheriffs' offices, but emergency management as well. We'll try to get WEM their contact information as soon as possible.
- Fire Services (Brian Satula): 1) We are working on the final details of the statewide collapse rescue team. Progress is being made. 2) As far as the status of MABAS, approximately 50 percent of the state is organized under MABAS. Twenty five counties are in the process of developing MABAS resolutions. 3) There is a final AAR coming with a video for a fire rescue international exercise. I will forward on the video to the Council for review.
 - WEM (Mike Hinman): There will be a meeting on the statewide structural collapse team on November 29, 2010.
- Chair Dunbar: USDHS has wisely adopted New York's "See Something - Say Something" campaign. People in Times Square saw something going on and made a phone call. USDHS would like us to do something similar in Wisconsin. The question to



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consider is do we refer this to the Inter-Agency Working Group. It makes all the sense in the world to say “see something, say something”. But who do you call if you see something? Before we develop this campaign for Wisconsin, we need to decide where that call should be directed and how information would get disseminated. This relates to the report about a maid who saw something in a hotel room that struck her as odd. She called Border Patrol and felt they ignored her. Should we have the Inter-Agency Working Group kick it around? Does that make sense for everyone?

- Badger Sheriffs (David Mahoney): Maybe local law enforcement should be the first to be called?
 - Chair Dunbar: It has to be some kind of 800 phone number that everyone can call.
 - MPD (LT Jason Smith): On December 1, 2010 the STAC is kicking off a “We Watch” campaign. A large PSA campaign is coming at the end of December. We have a call center at our fusion center.
 - Chair Dunbar: It could be as simple as calling 9-1-1. Mike, you’ll take that on?
 - WEM (Mike Hinman): Yes.
 - Chair Dunbar: That would be great. Thank you.
 - Chiefs of Police: No representative present.
8. Update by DATCP on the Multi-State Partnership for Security in Agriculture Conference. (www.multistatepartnership.org).

Brief by Robin Schmidt from DATCP. See Attachment #1, 11/10/2010 HLS Open Session Meeting.

- Chair Dunbar: DATCP hosted a tremendous conference. The part that I attended was



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fabulous.

- DATCP (Robin Schmidt): Since the FBI has not held an international symposium for agro-terrorism for several years I felt there was a gap. Last January I used Multi-State Partnership for Security in Agriculture funding to develop a regional conference. By March, I looked at the fall schedule and decided that this would be a great time to host a conference in Madison. We really had a tremendous opportunity and presenters found this to be an opportunity to come to Madison and serve as speakers, especially the folks at the federal level in D.C. We had 240 participants, including more than 30 states and Canada, so we are now claiming to be an international symposium. We had 25 different industry representatives, which was a good turnout on the part of industry. We had our agriculture industries, as well as national and regional associations. There are some key points to be shared in looking back as to why this conference was successful. Firstly, more than 30 state participants attended because the Multi-State Partnership said they would offer scholarships to pay for up to two people per state to come to the conference regardless of whether they are a member of the Partnership or not. People also ended up participating as speakers which boosted their ability to come. Another key point was that state travel was covered by the Partnership. We hired Iowa State University to do the logistics in terms of registration materials, assessing the registration fee for non-state attendees, and dealing with the convention center. We also had a great response from federal industry partners. The location and venue were to our advantage. A lot of people wanted to come to visit Madison. James Lee Witt and Associates and the Milk Marketing Board hosted the reception. The Milk Marketing Board had the most incredible cheese sampling table with more than 70 different artisan cheeses. They had a cheese chef come and interact with guests to identify what cheeses to try. Everybody visited the cheese sampling table and interacted with people they had never met while trying artisan cheeses. It was good in terms of networking because people stayed there for hours. They also combined the conference with HITRAK. They are the ones who do the data call with USDHS. They were planning to hold a meeting in D.C. about agriculture assessments but they moved



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their meeting to Madison to coincide with the conference and to take advantage of the participants in attendance. That was also a really great opportunity. Lastly, I want to thank General Dunbar for coming and making opening comments. It was great to have you and DATCP Secretary Rumanski kick off the event. I also wanted to commend Food Shield from UM. They are hosting the Multi-State Partnership's website. It's new and they are hosting it for free. If you are interested in the Multi-State Partnership's products, they will soon be available on the website. One take away was when Dennis Drazkowski talked about TLO's and what they're doing here in Wisconsin. Perhaps we should have a TLO program for cooperatives doing feed and fertilizer sales. That's one of the things we will start discussion on. I will pass that information to someone at DATCP. It's good to know what's going on and what's unusual. Local industry might get some benefit for reaching out.

- Chair Dunbar: Robin, on behalf of the Council, I would like to present a coin and thank you for your partnership to the team. You have been an incredible member of the team and wish you success in your new job.

9. Other business.

- Chair Dunbar: We have one last item to discuss. We are ready to launch the new Wisconsin Homeland Security Council website that Randi and her team have put together. I am looking to January 1, 2011 as the launch date to go public. Until then, we have the opportunity for your feedback.
 - DMA (Daniel Payette): The new Council website was initially developed for September Preparedness Month. The old website has been in existence for three years and is outdated. We have also had interface problems with the old website. The idea with the new website was to simplify. Any material there not directly related to the Council was shifted over to WEM's website. This new website is entirely dedicated to WI Homeland Security Council functions. There is a slider on the front which is a way to tell people what's going on immediately so they



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don't have to search through different web pages. There are also options to access the annual reports. There is a chronological list of meetings. People can also access the agendas, which is a requirement for open meetings law. We can also post open session presentations on the website, which the previous website could not do. This website serves as a better portal for the Council's activity for the public. We have information dating all the way back to 2003. We also have contact information that provides resources for constituents in terms of the Council. There is a general "About" section which personalizes the Council a little more and lets people know who's on the Council. In an attempt to streamline things and make it easier to update the website, we are using WordPress. WordPress provides the ability to expand the website and to add widgets over time. It also has RSS feeds that users can subscribe to and have information sent directly to them as we publish new agendas. If you have any commentary we would love to hear it from you. Any questions you can direct to Randi, me, or Brian.

- Chair Dunbar: Thank you Dan for all the hard work. And if you have something on your website, we can possibly link out to it. Feedback from others throughout the state has been very positive. We'll shoot for a January 1, 2011 launch.
- DMA (Daniel Payette): I also want to thank Geno Mucciolo from DMA. He put in a lot of work to develop the new website.

10. Set date, time, and place of next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on December 15, 2010 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at DMA.

11. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Robin Schmidt and seconded by David Woodbury to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.**



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Meeting adjourned at 11:11 AM.