



**State of Wisconsin
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Open Session Meeting Minutes

Department of Military Affairs
2400 Wright Street, Witmer Hall
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Tuesday, November 2, 2021
9:04 AM – 9:26 AM

Members present: Chair Major General Paul Knapp (DMA), Chief David Erwin (Capitol Police), Jared Hoy (DOC), Commissioner Ellen Nowak (PSC), Chief Patrick Mitchell (Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association), Superintendent Anthony Burrell (WI State Patrol), Chief Kevin Bierce (Fire Services), Ryan Shogren (DCI), Sheriff Kurt Picknell (Badger State Sheriff's Association), Trina Zanow (DOA), Dr. Jonathan Meiman (DHS), Kelly Smithback (DATCP).

Members absent or excused: Acting Chief Jeffrey Norman (Milwaukee Police Department), Ryan Nilsestuen (GOV).

Alternates present: Brian Knepper (DNR), Katie Sommers (WEM), Erin Deeley (GOV).

Quorum present.

General Paul Knapp called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM.

1. Call to order/roll call.
2. Opening remarks: Introduction and meeting directions from General Knapp.
3. Review and approval of the September 7, 2021, Open Session meeting minutes.
 - Motion made by Trina Zanow, second by Kelly Smithback. Minutes approved as presented.
4. Wisconsin Homeland Security Strategy Workgroup.



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- The group will be comprised of DMA staff led by Major Chris Robbins, along with a representative from each agency on the council. The purpose of this workgroup is to update the Homeland Security Strategy for 2022-2026. A full draft revision will be anticipated by May 2022 and will potentially vote and adopt by the following September.
5. Recommendations for appointment of the vacant Council seat.
- There are currently 15 members on the council, looking to fill the last remaining seat with a permanent Division Administrator. It was proposed that Meagan Wolfe from Wisconsin Elections Commission be nominated. Formal recommendations will be made by General Knapp to Governor Evers' office.
6. Agency Update from each Council member:
- DOA – Trina Zanow:
 - i. Cybersecurity Summit debrief: Risk assessments, workforce recruitment, planning for events and small business were covered. Various representatives were present including one from CISA. Session held for utility partners. Missing law enforcement aspect from a participation perspective. Preplanning meeting for next year's event. Discussed possibility of adding hands on training. Survey sent to participants, received positive feedback and suggestions. Next year will be in September
 - DATCP – Kelly Smithback:
 - i. No Update
 - Capital Police – David Erwin:
 - i. No Update
 - WI Police Chiefs – Patrick Mitchell:
 - i. Tracking Rittenhouse trial in Kenosha.
 - DCI – Ryan Shogren:
 - i. Bureau Director positions will soon be filled.
 - Fire – Kevin Bierce
 - i. Special Operations Bureau Director recruitment in process.
 - WEM – Katie Sommers:
 - i. The Public-Private Partnership conference is taking place today in the WI Dells.
 - ii. Discussed UASI grant program, Milwaukee used to be funded back in 2010. There has been a 66% reduction in staffing. WEM would like to advocate for funding to be in the top 50 instead of the top 40.



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- Governor's Office – Erin Deeley:
 - i. No Update
 - Badger Sheriffs Association – Sherriff Picknell:
 - i. No Update.
 - WSP – Anthony Burrell:
 - i. No Update
 - DNR – Brian Knepper:
 - i. No Update
 - PSC – Comm. Ellen Nowak:
 - i. No Update.
 - DOC – Jared Hoy:
 - i. Spoke on cybersecurity training for state employees from DMA.
 - DHS – Jonathan Meiman:
 - i. COVID cases continue to drop, will monitor coming into the winter season and the impact on hospital staff.
 - DMA – General Paul Knapp:
 - i. Requested National Guard units remain in place for COVID support. Asking for CNA volunteers. The Presidential memorandum ends on December 31st, it has been requested to be extended. There are still 500 WING members still on duty for COVID.
7. Set date, time, and place of next meeting
- January 4, 2022, at 9:00am.
8. Adjourn Open Session to go into Closed Session at 9:26 AM
- Motion by Sheriff Picknell, second by Ryan Shogren.
 - Adjourn Open Session at 9:36 am and take a 10-minute break.
9. Reconvene in Open Session at 10:38 AM
- Motion to adjourn by Kelly Smithback, second by Anthony Burrell.
 - Motion was made to adjourn. Motion Carried.
 - Announcement that September 7, 2021, closed session minutes were approved.
 - Open session adjourned at 10:38am.