

Southwest KS Regional Emergency Planning Council Meeting
June 11, 2008

Chairperson Don Button called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Members present were: Mark Rine, Don Robertson, Larry Turpin, Greg Standard, Don Button, Vaughn Lorenson, Mike Schechter, Kathy McGaughey, Matt Mercer, Marvin Stice, Richard Everett, John Ralston, Karen Luckett, Mike Burke, Steve Phillips, Gwen Meairs, Carolyn Henry and Cathy Hernandez. Jim Gifford, Ronnie Faggotter, Steve Sutton, Jason Moses, Kendal Lothman and Steve Wilterding were present as guests.

Kathy H. made a motion to approve the minutes from May 7, 2008; Vaughn L. seconded the motion; motion carried.

There was no old business.

New Business

The 'webinar' with National Interop Inc. was cancelled; there was no response from the company when Don B. called them

Jason Moses gave an update on the communications meeting that was held May 12, 2008. There were 59 persons in attendance. Jason handed out copies of a template of available interoperability channels. This template lists the minimum channels that should be in every 800 MHz radio; local channels can be added. Jason and Matt M. gave a demonstration of 800 MHz communications to Topeka, Emporia, Salina and Wichita. Jason pointed out that when ordering 800 MHz radios we need to get the '2500 Model 2' for the handheld. Jason also asked that everyone contact their respective Representatives and Senators in Topeka to ask them to support legislation that will provide funding of this 800 MHz project.

Don B. and Jay T. reported on the Statewide Regional meeting that they attended.

John Cyr had emailed a copy of his report as fiscal agent for 2007 prior to this meeting. John C. was unable to attend this meeting due to prior commitments.

The group then broke into committees for committee work.

The next meeting will be August 6, 2008.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Standard
Acting Secretary

