# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE INTEROPERABILITY NETWORK OF THE SOUTH BAY

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Interoperability Network of the South Bay (INSB) Technical Committee convened in a regular session at 10:10 AM on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, in the second floor conference room of the South Bay Regional Public Communications Authority, 4440 W. Broadway, Hawthorne, CA.

## 2. ROLL CALL

Present: Alternate Member Scott Martinez, City of El Segundo

Member Jerry Edwards, City of Torrance

Member Andy Harrod, City of Manhattan Beach Member Debra Kochheim, City of Redondo Beach

Member Ralph Mailloux, City of Gardena

Member Milton McKinnon, City of Hermosa Beach

Absent: Member Josh Armstrong, City of Hawthorne

Also Present: Captain Ryan Allee, El Segundo Fire Department

Mr. Victor Bowers, Commline

Captain Nick Facer, Torrance Fire Department Wireless Technician Dennis Faro, City of Torrance

Mr. Jeff Fukasawa, Commline

Executive Director Ernest Gallo, INSB

Administration Manager John Krok, SBRPCA

Alternate Member Robert Mendoza, City of Manhattan Beach Alternate Member Landon Phillips, City of Hermosa Beach

#### 3. **POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

Chairman Mailloux confirmed that the agenda for this meeting was posted per Brown Act requirements.

## 4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

## 4a. Approval of Minutes – February 13, 2018

<u>MOTION</u>: Member Edwards moved to approve the INSB Technical Committee meeting minutes of February 13, 2018. The motion was seconded by Member McKinnon and passed by unanimous voice vote, absent Member Armstrong.

## 5. **ACTION ITEMS**

# 5a. **INSB Police Talk Groups**

Alternate Member Phillips reviewed the proposed police talk groups. He indicated that final changes will be made to the groups and they will be provided to Commline for review.

Captain Nick Facer, Torrance Fire Department, reviewed the proposed fire programming layout, which, he advised, will be provided for the Area G Fire Chiefs' review in the near future. Captain Facer confirmed that the Operations Committee has approved the proposed groups and that the Area G Fire Chiefs' approval is necessary.

During discussion of mutual aid channels, Jeff Fukasawa, Commline, entertained the idea of a South Bay Fire 3 direct channel, which could be regionalized. He related Commline's intent to further examine the idea of leaving South Bay Channel Nos. 1 and 2 and TAC Channel Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6 as they currently exist.

#### 6. **REPORTS**

### 6a. Progress Report Re Motorola Installation

Member Edwards reported on the status of the Motorola installation, including that the majority of the equipment and radios has been received.

# 6b. Update Re Sixth Site

Jeff Fukasawa, Commline, advised that Derra Design is evaluating the El Segundo Water Tower site, which will provide far better coverage than the Chevron site, and that it is Derra Design's responsibility to obtain the permit for the site. Mr. Fukasawa expressed his intent to provide a proposal for the legacy frequency to cohabitate with the INSB. He commented on Commline's efforts to ensure the structural integrity of the El Segundo Water Tower site and pointed out the need for land and topographical surveys of the site due to under ground water pipes.

Executive Director Gallo related his understanding that, because the El Segundo water tower site is an existing government site, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements do not apply.

# 6c. Discussion Re Battery/Rectifier

Jeff Fukasawa, Commline, expressed his intent to compare rectifier quotes and discuss with Member Edwards. He related his understanding that additional licensing at a cost of approximately \$2,000 would be needed to add Solarwinds to the prime site.

Executive Director Gallo related his understanding that the cost to add Solarwinds to the prime site is already included. He asked who is in charge of setting up the agreement for the water tower site between the INSB and El Segundo.

## 7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- 7a. Jeff Fukasawa, Commline, requested a meeting separate from the INSB Technical Committee to discuss encryption, P-25 standards, the need for a uniform encryption key, etc. He confirmed for Alternate Member Martinez that, for an additional cost, an encrypted fire channel could be added to radios after they are received.
- 7b. Executive Director Gallo mentioned the need to discuss the idea of designating an administrator as the single point of contact after the INSB is up and running.
- 7c. Executive Director Gallo related his understanding that the State of California adopted a compliance law for in-building repeaters.

Victor Bowers, Commline, advised that various cities have adopted this as part of their fire laws; but, it is a guideline and not a law.

## 8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.