



FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION OF BROWARD COUNTY

Mutual Aid & Communications Committee

October 25, 2023

Lauderhill FD HQ

Minutes

Agencies in Attendance

	Broward Ambulance Licensing	✓	Lauderdale By the Sea Fire Rescue
	Broward Emergency Mgmt.		Lighthouse Point Fire Rescue
	Broward Healthcare Coalition	✓	Margate Fire Rescue
✓	Broward Sheriff's Office Fire		Miramar Fire Rescue
✓	BSO Communications	✓	North Lauderdale Fire Rescue
✓	Broward Trauma Services	✓	Oakland Park Fire Rescue
✓	Broward OCT	✓	Pembroke Pines Fire Rescue
	Coconut Creek Fire Rescue	✓	Plantation Fire Rescue
✓	Coral Springs Communications		Plantation Communications
✓	Coral Springs Fire		Pompano Beach Fire Rescue
✓	Davie Fire Rescue		Seminole Tribe Fire Rescue
✓	Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue		South Florida REST
	Hollywood Fire Rescue		Sunrise Fire Rescue
✓	Lauderhill Fire Rescue	✓	Tamarac Fire Rescue

- **Welcome/ Introduction of Members and Guests:** Jason Stepp assuming Secretary role for the committee.

Presentations: None

- **Approval of last meeting minutes:** Motion by Frazier, 2nd by Pingol

Standing Reports:

- **Regional CAD Update:** (S. Frederick)
 - Sandy was not in attendance, further discussion to be had on Last Out Status.
- **Plantation Communications Update:** (E. Lubow)
 - No updates



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- **Coral Springs Communications Update:**
 - No updates
- **Regional Communications BSO Update:**
 - Fully staffed
 - Training currently in play on radio
 - Class graduating in February to maintain staffing levels
 - Supervisors Request
 - Units continue to step on each other.
 - Fire inspectors performing testing without advising main channel dispatcher.
 - Time checks – timers are continually going off without unit responding.
 - Updates to be provided via radio or silent.
- **P25 & FSA Update:** (S. Lowe)
 - Coverage testing report for the 16th tower site
 - Quarterly patch
 - Upgraded to version 22.1
 - Upgrading logging system
 - FSA – 3 interference issues
 - 2 reported at the same FS – source related to microwave path interference
 - 1 unable to be sourced at this time
 - Recycling of system back up batteries
 - Gary/Samantha – Levy to discuss with FCABC
 - Discussion on Keylite and servicing of First Net
 - USDD direct pricing – 10% for maintenance of the system equipment based on hardware cost only
 - Conference call scheduled by Levy with USDD to discuss FirstNet servicing
- **Old Business:**
 - Reminder that Second Touch started a while back
 - Signed off by ORCAT
 - Last Out Status
 - Fo station to be discussed with Sandy
- **New Business:**
 - Follow up on Ocean Zones
 - ARL – rolling purge in process, confirmation its working
 - Lynn CAD team
 - FUR – working session with Motorola upcoming
 - Interoperability Capabilities – Two Incidents
 - Utilization was successful for BSO funeral with the exception of Coral Gables



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- Airport Drill – Hatzalah communications successful via MED 8 & MED 5
- Private ambulances – discussion on options for response patches
- Memorial Regional (Trauma Services) – Candace
 - MCI Drills – communications and what's being requested
 - Consideration for asking hospitals “what they can take”
 - Polling of Hospitals – MCI levels 2-3, MRCC roll call
 - Consideration for Hospitals to monitor TAC channels for MRCC roll call and availability via Ready Op
- FCABC SOP Revisions
 - Uniform Radio Designations
 - Changing Radio Designations
 - Creation of a radio designation for the Community Paramedic Program
 - Request to have a list of all designations for each Fire Department
 - List to be finalized at the November meeting
 - Next revision needed is the Operations Policy

Open Discussion:

- Holiday Lunch
 - Forks USA – invite sent out.
- Pingol – ILA aid agreement and recent issues encountered
 - Emphasis placed on increasing road speeds in order expand response zones
- Opening of a Regional ILA
- WhatsApp groups
 - FC's and Ops Chiefs group established.
 - Reminder for those who need to be added to the groups
- **Good and Welfare:** None

Next Meeting: November 15 2023- Lauderhill FD HQ

Meeting Adjourned: 1504 hrs.