



OFFICIAL MINUTES

CHAPTER MEETING November 20, 2014 Ontario Police Department 2500 S Archibald Ave Ontario, CA 91761

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Mike Rowles, San Bernardino County
Early Bird Sponsor: The Sales Group
Secretary's Report: Minutes from the October 2014 meeting are posted on the CPRA website.
Treasurer's Report: See comments
Program: "Interference Within Public Safety Communications" presented by Howard Fine, Frequency Coordinator, Southern California Frequency Coordinating Committee, Society of Broadcast Engineers Chapter 47 and VP Pacific Television Center (PacTV)
Attendance: 46

AGENDA

Welcome-Opening Comments – Dick Granado. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 A.M.

Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Rowles.

Self Introductions: Members were welcomed. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves to the group.

Commercial Members Introductions – Ron Lyons. The various commercial members introduced themselves and spoke briefly of the products they offer.

Chapter Officer Reports.

Future Meetings Report – Don Miller: Dick advised the group the upcoming Officer Installation Meeting will be on December 3. The cocktail hour starts at 6:00 P.M., with dinner at 7:00 P.M. He invited and encouraged everyone to attend. He mentioned Treasurer, Joe Parrino, is available today to receive payments for the December dinner. The Installation Dinner will be at Rio Hondo Golf Course. Don covered upcoming Chapter meetings, sponsors, programs, and meetings still in need of a program. He advised all meeting information can be found on the CPRA website and encouraged everyone to visit the website for all CPRA related information. Don advised the group the March 2015 Chapter Meeting will be moved up a week to March 12, due to a conflict with IWCE the following week in March.

Executive Council-APCO Update – Jim Acosta: The Executive Committee has been busy going to Fall conferences. President John Wright and Western Regional Representative Kimberly Burdick attended the Colorado Chapter Conference on October 9. 1st VP Brent Lee and Gulf Coast Representative Matthew Stillwell attended the Oklahoma Chapter conference on October 14. Executive Committee members also attended other Chapter Conferences like Atlantic and Virginia, which Jim did not go into detail outlining. APCO and NENA have come together to address location accuracy issues for Wireless 9-1-1 callers, hoping to narrow down accuracy from 60 feet to 9 feet inside a building. APCO has provided all EMD customers an Ebola Guidance Sheet and Guidecard. Training at the FDNY-Fire Dispatcher Operations has concluded,

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however, they have requested additional training. Membership, as of October 1, 2014 is at 21,953, versus 20,056, the same date last year. The Emerging Technology Forum took place on November 4-5 in San Francisco. They had approximately 200 attendees, which was a good turnout. The 2015 Broadband Summit will be held on May 4-5, 2015 in Washington DC, for anyone interested in attending. Jim will be in Washing DC later this month for the first site visit for the 2015 APCO International Conference & Expo, as part of his committee duties. The schedule-at-a-glance has been finalized and posted on the APCO 2015 website. The Call for Speakers opened on October 1, with a deadline for submissions on December 31. APCO announced future cities for the APCO International Conference & Expo are Denver, CO on August 13-16, 2017 and Las Vegas, NV on August 5-8, 2018.

Treasurer's Report – Joe Parrino.

Monthly Financial Report: Joe provided a report of income and expenses for the previous 30 day period. He outlined specific dollar amounts regarding income and expenditures, all of which can be made available upon member request.

Regulatory Update.

FCC Issues – Dave Buchanan: Dave advised the group about various FCC related information. APCO and NENA have teamed with the FCC, as well as other related entities, to draft a proposal for the above mentioned Wireless 9-1-1 caller accuracy issue. Dave spoke at length about other FCC influenced decisions and information on many different levels. He fielded questions from attendees and mentioned further discussion on 700 Narrowband would occur at today's Frequency Coordination.

Program Presentation – Howard Fine. Mike Rowles gave a brief biography of Howard Fine's history with the broadcast industry and his distinguished qualifications. Howard's presentation covered Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) numbers and the fact that many tower registrations have inaccurate latitude and longitude coordinates. He indicated he has (as a part of the frequency coordination process) identified towers that were showing their locations in the middle of a freeway, in the ocean, etc. Howard emphasized the importance of updating tower records as necessary. He suggested that agencies can check their tower locations using the web site www.fccinfo.com. (Scroll down the page to ASRs and key in the ASR number to see the ASR detail and have the option to link to a Google Earth map.) Howard then turned to the topic of public address systems that cause interference with public safety radios. He noted that this is primarily caused by out of date PA equipment that is operating in a part of the spectrum no longer authorized for PA systems. Howard reviewed a case that he worked on involving the Stapleton Center in Los Angeles. Howard then opened the floor for questions. There was informative discussion about the 700 MHz spectrum, actions of the FCC, and other items of interest in the frequency and regulatory environments. Finally Howard noted that the Annual "Christmas Party" for the Southern California Frequency Coordinating Committee (SCFCC) would be held in March 2015 as is normally done. The upcoming event will be in Los Angeles, details to be provided. Howard extended an invitation to everyone in attendance to join in the fun.

Meeting Adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 11:54 A.M.

Notes for the Record.

Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC). Gary Gray convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting. Ongoing and new frequency requests were presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Espindola
Secretary