

**Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch
Fire & EMS Committee Meeting**
Peru, LaSalle, Oglesby & Mendota
Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the IVRD Fire & EMS Committee was held Monday, August 12 2024 at the LaSalle Fire Department, 1227 5th Street, LaSalle, IL 61301. Chief Janick called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Voting & Quorum Members Present:

Utica Fire Chief Ben Brown, Oglesby Fire Chief Ron Popurella, Oglesby Assistant Fire Chief Steve Maltas, Utica Assistant Fire Chief Drew Partain, Spring Valley Fire Chief Todd Bogatitus, Peru Ambulance Director Brent Hansen, Mendota Fire Chief Dennis Rutishauser, Utica Assistant Fire Chief Mark Bierbom, LaSalle Assistant Fire Chief Dale Tieman, Oglesby Ambulance Director Cathie Edens, LaSalle Fire Chief Jerry Janick

Not Present: Earlville Fire Chief Larry Todd, Earlville Ambulance Director Jen Coppes, Kelly Wasilewski, Peru Fire Chief Jeff King, Peru Assistant Fire Chief Jim Duncan

Also Present:

Executive Director Brandon Miller

MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of February 7, 2024 by Ron Popurella; second by Dennis Rutishauser. All in favor; motion carries.

PUBLIC FORUM (Citizen Comment)

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

New business:

Operational Matters:

1. Spring Valley Water Tower is down, and a temporary tender box is being established
2. Discussion about PD getting calls that were serious in nature before FD is getting the call. Brandon advised that it is a process and the PD dispatcher is listening in and giving out the information while the FD dispatcher is finishing the ProQA and dispatching the appropriate unit/department.
3. Discussion about getting MABAS and Specialty team calls out right away. There was an issue with the Starved Rock fatal call at Illinois Canyon. Direction of the director to the TCs is to page and call out the teams right away. The call has been reviewed and analyzed in house with recommendations being implemented. Discussion was had about seeing if IVRD can dispatch out MABAS calls prior to hearing MABAS Tone. We will be reaching out to Division 25 to discuss the issue.
4. Discussed Issues with Lifeflight
5. Advised to use Field Feedback Forms for all issues so that there is documentation and issues can be resolved.

Director's Report

1. Discussion on CAD. Brandon has done 8+ CAD demos and has narrowed down the list to about 5 that feel they would fit.
2. Hyperlocal Meeting – August 22nd 8-430PM at IVCC. Every member agency is encouraged to have representation.
3. Discussion about 911 calls for Spring Valley
4. Discussion about MAYDAY Policy
5. If there are any festivals or planning that would affect dispatch, please include them in the meetings in the future.

Radio Consolidation Presentation

1. Discussion on radio consolidation options
 - a. Option 1 – Simulcast, very expensive and labor intensive
 - b. Option 2 – 2 – Zones, make multiple receive sites, and consolidate them into a voter
 - i. Buy a voter
 - ii. Buy a receiver site for each location
 - iii. Will be setting up a quote and a layout of how it would work. Chiefs present at the meeting were in favor of the consolidation.

Priority Dispatch System Response Configuration Review/Changes

1. Protocol 41 – Caller in Crisis – Protocol has been approved by Dr. Khan and OSF St. Elizabeth EMS System. Motion by Ben Brown, Second by Ron Popurella to approve determinate and protocol as presented.
All in Favor. Motion Carries
2. Stroke Protocol change for headaches and stroke on all Charlie level changed to Full Still.
Email vote was obtained prior to meeting. All in Favor. Motion Carries.
3. Extrication Protocol change from “notify TRT” to “consider TRT”.
Motion by Steve Maltas, Second by Jerry Janick. All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Priority Dispatch System Policy Review/Changes.

1. No update as of now.

PUBLIC FORUM (Citizen Comment)

None

NEXT MEETING

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at the LaSalle Fire Department

ADJOURNMENT

Ben Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ron Popurella seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.