



MAYOR'S OFFICE OF  
**EMERGENCY  
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**PSnet Executive Committee Meeting**  
**February 14, 2017**  
**Somerville Police Department**  
**2:30pm**



**Attendees:**

Dan Rothman, Boston DoIT	Scott Wilder, Brookline PD
Harold Cataldo, BPD	Stan Reichgott, Brookline PD
Shawn Romanoski, BPD	Michael Kiely, Somerville PD
David Mahoney, Cambridge FS	Deirdre Habershaw, Boston OEM
Ed Hernandez Sr., Chelsea PD	Sarah Plowman, Boston OEM
Colin Strutt, Interisle	Karen Coye, FTG
Chuck Wade, Interisle	Shiro Ando, FTG
Eric Johnson, LAN-TEL	Michael Cobb, FTG

**Welcome**

- Sarah Plowman, Boston OEM, opened the PSnet Executive Committee (PSNEC) meeting.

**Vendor-specific Updates**

- Karen Coye, FTG, reported on recent projects.
  - FTG successfully replaced UPS batteries in four sites.
  - FTG collaborated with Interisle to reinstall a DragonWave radio at the East Boston High School site. FTG will make a return visit tomorrow, February 15, to double check that all is working well.
  - FTG is continuing in their engineering review of the network. To that end, FTG and Interisle met on January 12, and another meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 16.
  - Karen reminded the PSNEC that FTG would still appreciate taking a look at a PSnet (1-, 3-, and/or 5-year) equipment replacement plan, should one exist.
- Chuck Wade, Interisle, reported on recent projects.
  - Interisle has been working to transition infrastructure services off of an old server.
  - Much work has been done this past month to set up a system logging service for all PSnet systems and devices.
  - In collaboration with LAN-TEL, Interisle worked toward hardening CIMS infrastructure and firewall protection.
  - InterMapper had been experiencing some software issues; Interisle successfully worked with Help Systems (the vendor) to stabilize these problems.
  - Interisle continues to deal with a string of outages across the network, addressing problems as they arise.



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- Eric Johnson, LAN-TEL, reported on recent projects.
  - LAN-TEL has been installing new CIMS cameras and working with Interisle for network support.
  - A router is going in at the Revere Hotel in downtown Boston to make the connection more robust.
  - LAN-TEL is working with the Chelsea Soldier's Home site upgrade project.

**Identify Needs and Next Steps**

- Everett Bridge Wave link from Whidden to Police Department
  - In response to a recent email from Interisle calling attention to an outage problem at the Whidden site in Everett, Sarah opened discussion among the PSNEC to explore next steps.
  - The condition of the site is less than ideal. Cables in disarray, lack of proper air conditioning, and other complexities led the discussion toward exploring finding a new long-term solution. Re-wiring the cabling was suggested, as was using fiber.
  - PSNEC members may want to write an abstract for FY17 funds to clean up the site or explore finding a different one, or perhaps investigate whether FY16 PSnet funds can be put to this task.
  - It was also suggested to connect with PSnet and/or UASI Communication Interoperability Subcommittee (CIS) members in Everett so that they might draft a proposal consisting of a long-term fix that is both cost-efficient and reliable. It may be possible to loop this conversation into a microwave backhaul project taking place in Everett and being implemented at the CIS level.
- Data storage servers
  - Chuck brought to the group's attention that there are data storage servers that should be updated due to reliability issues. There is a need for expanded capacity.
  - Scott Wilder, Brookline PD, requested that Chuck send an email with the specifics and the committee will look into it.

**Old/New Business**

- FY17 Abstract Process
  - Deirdre Habershaw, OEM, reminded the group of the FY17 Abstract Process. The abstract window is now open and runs until Monday, February 27, at 9:00am. In order to facilitate the abstract writing, Deirdre requested input from all vendors regarding equipment to purchase or needs to address in the next year or two.
- Next Meeting
  - Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 14, 2017.
  - Scott Wilder offered to host in the Brookline Police Department community room.

*Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm*