

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE POLICE TASK FORCE**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Police Task Force convened in a regular session at 8:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 23, 2011, in the second floor conference room of the South Bay Regional Public Communications Authority, 4440 W. Broadway, Hawthorne, CA.

Present: Lt. Andy Harrod, Manhattan Beach Police Department
Captain Mike Ishii, Hawthorne Police Department
Lt. Dan Kim, El Segundo Police Department
Lt. Steve Prendergast, Gardena Police Department

Absent: Sgt. Kevin Averill, Hermosa Beach Police Department

Also Present: Executive Director Ralph Mailloux
Administration Manager Bonnie Agee
Operations Manager Shannon Kauffman
Technical Services Manager Jose Rivera

2. **ACTION ITEMS**

2a. **Approval of Police Task Force Minutes – March 24, 2011**

The Police Task Force minutes of March 24, 2011 were approved as written, absent Sgt. Averill.

3. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Mailloux reported on the status of the following: Inglewood's request to explore the idea of the Authority providing their 911 emergency services; negotiations with the Teamsters' bargaining group; Palos Verdes Estates' Police Department's plans to utilize the transmission/receiver site at Beach Cities Health District; MOUs for use of the member cities' transmission/receiver sites; the emergency notification system through Tiburon; discussion at the recent meeting regarding issues with Tiburon and the idea of forming a Tiburon task force committee; and reimbursements from the State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) relative to the Punta Place Infrastructure Upgrade Project, which will be deposited into the Authority's equipment replacement fund to be used by the member departments.

Captain Ishii related his understanding that, per discussion at the recent meeting about Tiburon issues, the member agencies' chiefs will meet in the next few weeks to discuss governance, etc., after which an individual from each member agency will be appointed to serve on a Tiburon task force committee. He noted that the current contract with Tiburon ends in 2015 and other vendors will be examined and that the bar code seems to be a big issue.

Executive Director Mailloux pointed out that the model used to develop the Police and Fire Task Forces could be used in forming a Tiburon task force committee.

4. **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**

4a. Executive Director Mailloux advised that he will be on vacation from July 8 to July 25, 2011.

4b. Technical Services Manager Rivera reminded the member departments that parts in need of repair in the Datalux MDCs will only be replaced when the units completely fail, in that parts are no longer available from the vendor.

Lt. Prendergast related Gardena Police Department's plans to upgrade their Datalux MDCs with Panasonic Toughbooks.

Technical Services Manager Rivera recommended that an alternative to Toughbooks be considered.

4c. Technical Services Manager Rivera offered updated information on the reprogramming of Frequencies 3 and 7. He verified that, when completed, Frequency 3 will still be Gardena's and 7 will be a tactical frequency.

4d. Captain Ishii affirmed that Hawthorne Police Department is ready for the Mobile Com installation in their fleet.

Technical Services Manager Rivera noted that the Sprint loaner air cards will be removed from Gardena, Manhattan Beach and Hermosa Beach units.

The Police Task Force discussed billing for this service. Technical Services Manager Rivera explained that Sprint El Segundo and El Camino College are subaccounts on Hawthorne's account and are invoiced directly. However, with additional departments, the idea of adding a T1 line to the capacity should be considered. He pointed out that start-up costs will be incurred with carriers other than Sprint and confirmed that there are no coverage issues with Sprint. Technical Services Manager Rivera noted that, in case some of the member departments are interested in using Verizon hardware, a sample has been requested.

4e. Lt. Harrod announced Manhattan Beach's new Police Chief, Eve Irvine, and new Fire Chief, Robert Espinosa.

4f. Lt. Harrod related Manhattan Beach Police Department's request for a frequency on July 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Operations Manager Kauffman confirmed that she will notify Manhattan Beach Police Department of the frequency they will use on July 4th.

4g. Lt. Harrod mentioned the upcoming Six-Man Volleyball Tournament scheduled in Manhattan Beach on July 30th and 31st. He related Manhattan Beach Police Department's request for a frequency on those dates, even if the Tournament does not take place due to financial problems.

4h. Lt. Harrod related Manhattan Beach Police Department's appreciation of the Technical Services Department's efforts in installing radios in Manhattan Beach Police Department's command vehicle, which other departments are invited to use.

4i. Lt. Kim thanked Hawthorne Police Department for use of their helicopter during a recent incident in El Segundo.

4j. Lt. Kim related his understanding that a large motorcycle group is expected to frequent Dockweiler Beach. He will email Lt. Harrod with additional information.

4k. Lt. Kim noted that Jaime Bermudez will be El Segundo's new representative to the Police Task Force.

4l. Lt. Prendergast offered input on Nixle, which Gardena Police Department uses for communication alerts. Additional information can be obtained at nixle.com.

4m. Lt. Prendergast stated Gardena Police Department's plans to purchase 14 new vehicles and 3 to 4 black and white units.

4n. Lt. Prendergast provided information on Gardena's new camera/audio system which, he noted, has been of great assistance in apprehending suspects. He entertained the idea of a video wall in the communications center.

Lt. Harrod suggested that a future Police Task Force meeting be held in Gardena in order to view the camera/audio system. The Police Task Force agreed

Executive Director Mailloux verified that the communications center is equipped for a video wall and that an effort could be made to obtain funding for this purpose.

Lt. Prendergast will notify Authority staff of the date on which a Police Task Force meeting can be held at Gardena Police Department.

4o. Technical Services Manager Rivera and Administration Manager Agee affirmed for Lt. Prendergast that Authority staff will look into the possibility of adding short-cut keys to the new MDCs.

4p. Technical Services Manager Rivera verified for Lt. Prendergast that Authority staff will look into the status of the re-programming of the Tait radio in Gardena Police Department's Watch Commander's vehicle.

4q. Executive Director Mailloux discussed that, because of issues with their frequency, on Fridays and Saturdays Hermosa Beach Police Department has been operating on Frequency 5, which is not part of the agreement between the Authority and Hermosa Beach. He explained that the problem could be related to a letter of concurrence Hermosa entered into with Burbank prior to returning to the Authority and that Hermosa's options need to be examined so Frequency 5 can be more available to the member agencies on Fridays and Saturdays.

4r. Operations Manager Kauffman related her intent to distribute last year's frequency schedule for 4th of July and she asked the member departments to notify her of any changes.

4s. In response to Lt. Harrod, Executive Director Mailloux indicated that the Authority has no plans pertaining to the closure of the 405 Freeway on July 16 and 17, 2011.

5. **INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS**

None.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.