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Minutes of November 20, 2013 Meeting

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Meeting called to order 10:10 A.M.

Introduction of Board and Attendees; 30 people were in attendance representing 19 member agencies.

PRESENTATION

Bart Mederois, Columbia Gas Co. gave an extremely informative and entertaining presentation on gas and the hazards, and the handling of an emergency situation. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Boxford Fire Department for their response to the report of gas in the building at the Town Hall. Most people didn't even know they were there.

President's Report

State 911 is offering Powerphone and Priority classes in December. Working on a Training Seminar in Early March at the International in Bolton. On going discussion with members of the Lee Foundation, and also a possible short QA segment also.

The next meeting is being scheduled in Bolton on Dec 18.

Secretary's Report

Everyone had a copy of the October Meeting Minutes. Motion to accept by Don Hancock, seconded by Steve Hooke. Approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report

Paula Snow gave a report with the current operating balance updated to $12,375.17

Membership News: Invoices were sent via e-mail to 2013 members. 1 current member paid and 2 new members paid. Berkshire County, Townsend and W. A. Henricksen

Committee Reports

State 911 Commission - Next meeting is scheduled for Nov 19.

NERAC - Four Fire Control Point Units passed final approval. Replaced repeaters for CMED and BAPERN. Adding sites to BAPERN for Southeast coverage for first of the year.

SIEC - Nothing to report

Web Site: Training to Volunteers to be provided.

Grant reimbursements are still slow processing. Course costs are posted on the State Website.

CTO courses by APCO are 3 days. Bridge courses will have to be offered by the provider.

New Business

Essex County are receiving approx 40% of their wireless calls now, from AT&T & Metro. volume of 12,500 calls in the 1st 30 days. Biggest problem is pocket dials.

Meeting adjourned 1:10 PM

Respectively Submitted,

Edward P. Merriam