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Meeting Minutes January 16, 2016
Gardner Police Department

Presentation On Site Academy – CISM by Hayden Duggan
Introductions: 35 attendees representing 25 agencies.

Don Hancock's father and father-in-law have passed away. Motion made and approved for a donation to Hospice in both their names.

Secretary Report: Minutes of December meeting approved.

Treasurer's report: No Report

There was a failure of the 911 wireless, trunks and business lines in Taunton, Middleboro, and Southeastern. It can happen. Make sure you have a plan in place.

State 911: Mona Wallace from the state spoke on a wide range of subjects.

Delay in Next Gen 911. May not get beyond the pilots in this fiscal year. Do not delay any longer in getting your people their second 8 hours of training that you have been holding off on. The academy was canceled because of low attendance. Trying to schedule another in the spring. Looking to have additional eight hour classes available. Looking at APCO Active Shooter, Disaster Operations. In House Training Forms are available on the web site. FY16 annual Certification of Compliance will be available on the website shortly. Only list those people that have everything they need. Commission meeting is scheduled for Feb 25. This will be the last meeting in Taunton. They are scheduled to move to Middleborough on March 15th. Planning a Recognition Ceremony to be held during Telecommunicator Week. Mona will be contacting to help set the parameters.

President's Report: Next meeting will be in Webster, working on getting CJIS representatives for a condensed training.

March Training Seminar in Bolton. Fifty people already registered. Flyers are available.

Retirement: Senate version came out of Public Service Committee with a favorable recommendation. Form letter will be on the website. Use it in any form for your local representatives. Call, email, and visit your representatives. This is the only way it will work. Get your dispatchers involved. Meeting in Palmer on Jan 29th 10 AM. Rep. Smola will be there and he is the sponsor of a house bill for group 2. A motion was made and seconded to authorize up to $250 for refreshments. Regional VPs should get the word out to their PSAPS. Question broached on MCSA attending job fairs at vocational schools and colleges. State 911 has some training available.

Motion to adjourn.

Respectively Submitted
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Secretary