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**Fauquier County Board of Supervisors’
Public Safety Committee
October 21, 2014**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Public Safety Committee Chairman, Chris Granger, called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. Introduction of Participants

Present were:

- Mr. Chris Granger, Fauquier County Board of Supervisors
- Mr. Chester Stribling, Fauquier County Board of Supervisors
- Ms. Catherine Heritage, Deputy County Administrator
- Mr. Tom Marable, President, Fire and Rescue Association
- Ms. Erin Kozanecki, Office of Management and Budget
- Chief Tom Billington, DFREM
- Mr. Darren Stevens, DFREM
- Mr. Sean Polster, Warrenton Town Council
- Ms. Janice Bourne, FCPS
- Sara Makely, DREM
- Sgt. George Southard, W.P.D.
- Kurt Kight, DFREM
- R.J. Arft, DFREM
- Ray Acors, FCSO
- Tom Pavelko, Staff

3./4. Approval of the Minutes and Agenda

Mr. Granger moved for approval of the current agenda and the minutes of the September 23, 2014 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Stribling. All in favor.

5. Communications Report

Following the monthly communications report, Micah Meadows added that the Communications Division is aggressively seeking solutions for texting 911. Several other jurisdictions state-wide are also looking for similar solutions. He believes there are several viable options. Katie Heritage reminded the committee that ISDN lines in fire stations will be terminated in 2015 and connectivity options are currently being explored the I.T. Department. This item will be placed on the next PSC agenda for further discussion.

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6. Ambulance Replacement Update

Tom Marable indicated there were no updates on this topic.

7. Active Shooter

Sara Makely of DFREM advised that representatives from the Schools, the Sheriff's Department and Emergency Services have been working together for almost two years to develop an active shooter plan. They have developed a preliminary response to address hostile issues including active shooter situations. Two table exercises have already been conducted and they hope to complete a functional exercise in January 2015, before adopting the official plan. A full scale exercise will then be completed in the summer of 2015. A training program is being developed and will be disseminated to all first responders.

8. EKG Defibrillator Replacement

Darren Stevens requested a status update for funding of these replacements. Erin Kozanecki of the Budget Department advised that \$579,000 in carry over funding has been approved by the BOS for replacement of the defibrillators. This will be included in upcoming discussions on carry over funding as part of the FY16 budget process.

9. Ebola Readiness

Kurt Kight advised that a plan has been developed to address ebola in the event of an incident. DFREM has ordered supplies necessary for isolation should it be required. They have developed codes to be used in the event of an ebola situation, which have been provided to joint communications staff, the hospital and first responders so everyone is aware of a potential ebola situation. Staff have also been trained on this issue. Mr. Granger inquired if Fauquier Hospital would be accepting possible ebola patients or if they would be transported to other facilities. According to Mr. Kight, a determination has not been made.

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10. Other Items

Mr. Granger commended all local law enforcement officials for their response to the recent hostage situation on Alexandria Pike in Warrenton. Sara Makely indicated there has been a push to encourage sign-ups for the new Everbridge emergency notification system.

11. Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Mr. Granger called for adjournment at 5:21 pm. Generally concurred.

Given under my hand this 10th day of December, 2014

*Thomas S. Pavelko, Staff
Fauquier County Public Safety Committee*