

Molson-Chesaw Fire District #11
 Minutes- General Meeting
 RADIO PROTOCOL
 2/2/17

Members present:

Walt Acord	David GubermanX	Bob McDaniel X	Pat Stice
Lloyd Archibald	Brady Hisler X	Linda McDaniel X	Robin Stice X
Marcus Alden	Jeannette Lamont	Bruce Maclean	Brannan ShellenbargerX
Phil Dart X	Harry Leslie	Bill Myers	Matt Shellenbarger
Randy Dart X	Steve Leslie X	Brian Nelson	Joe Swenson
Ken Davidson X	Stewart Leslie	Kim Renner	Karen Swenson X
Deborah Donahue X	Gary Lewis X	Dean Richardson X	Linda Thomas X
Lisa Eversgerd X	Jason Llewellyn X	Tim Roberts X	Roger Trepanier X
Rodney Fields	Brian Martin	Nick Root	Sasha Torwick
Tyler Field	Tim Mason X	Brad Scott	
		Zane Scott	

Phil discusses radio protocol

- Discusses radio traffic prior to arrival at Fields Hall

Jason trains on radio protocol and communications

- Explains that the first person on scene is IC-call and let folks know that you are on scene. IC should take note of people who are in route.
- Take a minute to make a plan...what will you do with the fire, what will you do with incoming resources
- Goes through radio channel by channel
- When making initial contact with folks it is sometimes helpful to announce what frequency you are using. If people responding are responding while driving, they may not be able to see what channel you are calling on.
- Remember that truck radios and handheld radio will create squelch inside the truck.
- IF you are IC because you arrived on scene, you may pass on the IC position to someone who has more experience. This transfer of command should always be announced on the radio and communicated to everyone on the fire.

Your radio should be set on PAGE MOLSON or PAGE BUCKHORN when at home in your charger.

ZONE 1

- Channel 1: Fire District #11 Repeater—our repeater, just us.
Good work longer distances
- Channel 2 Fire District MAIN
- Channel 3 DNR Common (DNR tac frequency)
- Channel 4 Oscar

- Channel 5 Red net
- Channel 6 USFS Project
- OCS BUCKHORN -- Okanogan County Sheriff
- FPD #1 (Oroville Fire Department Tac frequency)
- FPD # 4 Tonakset
- DNR Air ops
- FCS tac Ferry County Sheriff (Use for Mutual Aid with Ferry County)
- North County Fire Repeater-Location Tunk Mountain. A command channel for north valley fire districts. Broad Command channel on multiple agency fires.
- DNR Tonasket ***IMPORTANT*** For IC on fire. Use this frequency to make contact with DNR “Okanogan Highland DO” when you arrive on scene. Remember that **EVERYTHING** you say on this channel is heard by everyone. Not a tac frequency

When you get a tone out:

- GO to OCS (Okanogan County Sheriff)BUCKHORN to let them know that you are in route—this goes to county. Use Last name. (Lemanasky and Molson can also be used in places to contact county.) Only one person for our fire department needs to call and let them know that our department is responding. Dispatch will respond with time only-they will not say copy or acknowledge message. Ask for specifics about fire if you need more info about location.
- When you call dispatch, let them know that you are from Fire District #11
- You can ask them if DNR has been notified for a **WILDFIRE ONLY**.
- If you do not hear someone saying they are responding to county, you can ask over our repeater (FD #11 Repeater) if someone has responded to county.

THEN: Turn to FD #11 Repeater to talk to other FD#11 volunteer

IF YOU DO NOT HEAR OTHER TRAFFIC RADIO TRAFFIC IN ROUTE TO FIRE. CONSIDER ANNOUNCING IT ON OUR REPEATER TO FIND OUT IF OTHER RESOURCES ARE ARRIVING.

THE IC lets county know when resources are off scene and going home

Jason gives a size up example.

ZONE 2

Fire Repeater #11
Page Buckhorn
Page Lemanasky
Page Molson
OCS Molson
OCS Lemanasky
OCS Buckhorn

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Jason discusses the “to-do” list idea for the dept. Each person does one thing a year—share the wealth with duties.

Discusses making laminated instructions for getting water out of each fire truck