

- 11.10.2. A vote of the committee is the final determining factor regarding removal of a member from Region 51. A period of 6 months from the first day of removal is required before a removed member is eligible for reinstatement for membership in the Regional Planning Committee.

11.11. Resignation

A member may resign by delivering written resignation to the chairman, vice-chairman, treasurer or secretary of the Regional Committee or to a meeting of the members. A resigning member is eligible for reinstatement to the Regional Planning Committee after a period of six months has lapsed, beginning on the first day of resignation.

11.12. Meetings

The Region 51 700 MHz Planning Committee will meet no less than one (1) time per calendar year. A minimum notification of thirty (30) days will be given. The annual meeting may be held in the Houston, Texas area. This is centrally located within Region 51 and will provide the maximum opportunity for Regional participation. Any additional meetings may be located in a different city or town within the Region to attract and promote involvement in the committee. The Annual meeting should be held in the last quarter of calendar year and will be set by the Chairperson. Committee meetings will not be held on holidays or weekend days, unless called by the Region 51 Chairperson or as part of a public safety conference. At any time and when deemed necessary by the Chairperson, an additional meeting of the Region 51 Regional Planning Committee may be called. Video and/or Audio Teleconferencing may be conducted at meetings to include as many people as possible in the 700 MHz allocation process. The use of E-mail will be utilized by members and officers of Region 51 as needed to convey Regional issues at hand.

11.13. Special Meetings

The Chairperson has the authority to call a meeting of the Regional Planning Committee when he deems it in the best interest of the Region and will provide notice of the special meeting to existing members of the Region (and the public) at least 5 days prior to the meeting. Special meetings of the members may be held at any time and at any place within the Regional Committee area. Special meetings of the members may be called by the chairman or by the vice-chairman, or in case of death,

absence, incapacity, by any other officer or, upon written application of two or more members.

11.14. Call and Notice

11.14.1. Annual meeting

Reasonable notice of the time and place of scheduled meetings of the members, not being less than 30 days, shall be given to each member. Such notice may specify the purposes of a meeting, but will specify meeting content if required by law or these bylaws or unless there is to be considered at the meeting (i) amendments to these bylaws or (ii) removal or suspension of a member who is an officer. Announcements of meetings, stating the time and place where the meeting is to be held, may be published in newspapers, land mobile radio periodicals, and disseminated via E-mail and other electronic forms. In addition, a press release may be issued urging parties interested in public safety communications to attend. Region 51 will notify the Federal Communications Commission, Chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, when a meeting time and place has been established for the Region 51 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

11.14.2. Reasonable and sufficient notice

Except as otherwise expressly provided, it shall be reasonable and sufficient notice to a member to send notice by mail at least five days or by e-mail/facsimile at least three days before any special meetings, addressed to such member at his or her usual or last known business address, or, to give notice to such member in person or by telephone at least three days before the meeting.

11.15. Quorum

For any meeting of the members, a majority of the officers and a minimum of at least three (3) voting members shall constitute a quorum. Any meeting may be adjourned to such date or dates not more than sixty days after the first session of the meeting by a majority of the votes cast upon the question, whether or not a quorum is present, and the meeting may be held as adjourned without further notice.

11.16. Action by Vote

Each voting member, representing a particular agency (one member per agency) shall have one vote; non-voting members have no voting rights. When a quorum is present at any meeting, a majority of the votes properly

cast by voting members present shall decide any question, including election to any office, unless otherwise provided by law or these bylaws.

11.17. Action by Writing

Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the members may be taken without a meeting if all members entitled to vote on the matter consent to the action in writing and the written consents are filed with the records of the meetings of the members. Such consents shall be treated for all purposes as a vote at a meeting.

11.18. Proxies

Voting members may vote either in person or by written proxy dated not more than one week before the meeting named therein, which proxies shall be filed before being noted with the secretary or other person responsible for recording the proceedings of the meeting. In the event named agency representative is unable to attend, he or she may send an alternate named representative to cast agency vote. A RPC member present via teleconference (audio or video) shall have voting status parallel to a member present at the meeting. If the facility is unable to accommodate teleconferencing (audio or video), or for any other reason teleconferencing cannot be accommodated in the meeting place, it is the responsibility of the member to attend the meeting in person or to vote by written proxy to have full voting rights. Unless otherwise specifically limited by their terms, such proxies shall entitle the holders thereof to vote at any adjournment of the meeting for which the proxy exists and the proxy shall terminate after the final adjournment of such meeting.

11.19. Special Interest Voting

A voting member **cannot** have a commercial interest in any of his/her Region and/or adjacent Region's application(s) on which he/she is reviewing, approving and/or voting.

11.20. Officers and Agents

11.20.1. Number and Qualification

The officers of the Region 51 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee shall consist of a chairman, and a vice-chairman. The officers may also include a secretary and/or treasurer. All officers must be voting members of the Regional Committee.

11.20.2. Election

The officers shall be elected by the voting members at their first meeting and, thereafter, at a meeting determined by the membership. The terms of the officers in the Region 51 700 MHz RPC will be for two (2) years. In order to allow for consistency in the Plan creation and initialization process, the terms of elected officers will begin on the date of the FCC's approval of the Region 51 Plan.

11.20.3. Tenure.

The officers shall each hold office until the biannual election meeting of the members held within two years from the adoption of these bylaws, or until their successor, if any, is chosen, or in each case until he or she sooner dies, resigns, is removed or becomes disqualified.

11.20.4. Chairman and Vice Chairman

The chairman shall be the chief executive officer of the Regional Committee and, subject to the control of the voting members, shall have general charge and supervision of the affairs of the Regional Committee. The chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Regional Committee. The Vice Chairman, if any, shall have such duties and powers, as the voting members shall determine. The Vice-Chairman shall have and may exercise all the powers and duties of the chairman during the absence of the chairman or in the event of his or her inability to act.

11.20.5. Treasurer

The treasurer shall be the chief financial officer and the chief accounting officer of the Regional Committee. The treasurer shall be in charge of its financial affairs, funds, and valuable papers and shall keep full and accurate records thereof. In the absence of a treasurer within the Region 51 700 MHz Planning Committee, the Chairperson shall assign Region 51 treasurer duties as deemed necessary.

11.20.6. Secretary

The secretary shall record and maintain records of all proceedings of the members in a file or series of files kept for that purpose, which file or files shall be kept within the Region and shall be open at all reasonable times to the inspection of any member. Such file or files shall also contain records of all meetings and the original, or attested copies, of bylaws and names of all members and the address (including e-mail address, if available) of each. If the secretary is absent from any meeting of members, a temporary secretary chosen at the meeting shall exercise the duties of the secretary at the meeting. In the absence of a secretary within the

Region 51 700 MHz Planning Committee, the Chairperson shall assign Region 51 Secretary duties as deemed necessary and may appoint a non-voting member.

11.20.7. Combining the office of Treasurer and Secretary

If so decided by the Membership of Region 51, the duties of Treasurer and Secretary may be combined into one office.

11.20.8. Suspensions or Removal

An officer of the Region 51 Regional Planning Committee may be suspended with cause by vote of a majority of the voting members in attendance.

11.20.9. Resignation

An officer may resign by delivering his or her written resignation to the chairman, vice-chairman, treasurer, or secretary of the Regional Committee. Such resignation shall be effective upon receipt (unless specified to be effective at some other time), and acceptance thereof shall not be necessary to make it effective unless it so states.

11.20.10. Vacancies

If the office of any officer becomes vacant, the voting members may elect a successor. Each such successor shall hold office for the remainder of term, and in the case of the chairman, vice chairman, treasurer and / or secretary until his or her successor is elected and qualified, or in each case until he or she sooner dies, resigns, is removed or become disqualified.

11.21. Amendments

These bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed in whole or in part by vote. The voting members may by a two-thirds vote of a quorum, alter, amend, or repeal any bylaws adopted by the Regional Committee members or otherwise adopt, alter, amend or repeal any provision which FCC regulation or these bylaws requires action by the voting members.

11.22. Dissolution

This Regional Committee may be dissolved by the consent of two-thirds plus one of an assembled quorum of the membership at a special meeting called for such purpose. The FCC shall be notified.

11.23. Rules of Procedures

The Conduct of Regional Meetings including debate and voting, shall be governed by *Simple Parliamentary Procedure*, Martha Nall, published by the University of Kentucky, College of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service, Publication # IP-15, Copyright 2000.

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13. List of Meetings, Summaries of Minutes, Agendas

13.1. 1st Meeting November 8, 2000



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WIRELESS TELECOM ACTION

TEXAS PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING COMMITTEE (REGION 51) ANNOUNCES FIRST MEETING

In accordance with provisions contained in The Development of Operational, Technical and Spectrum Requirements For Meeting Federal, State and Local Public Safety Agency Communications Requirements For Priority Access Service, *First Report and Order* and *Third Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, WT Docket No. 96-86, 14 FCC Red 152, 190 ¶ 77, the FCC has adopted a regional planning approach to spectrum management for specific channels though-out the 700 MHz band.

By this notice, the Region 51 (Texas - Houston) 700 MHz Public Safety Planning Committee announces that its first meeting will be held on November 8, 2000 at 9:00 a.m., C.S.T., at the George R. Brown Convention Center General Assembly Room C, 1001 Avenida de las Americas, Houston, Texas. The purpose of the meeting is to begin the formation of a coordinated regional plan for Region 51, Texas - Houston, including the counties of Shelby, Nacogdoches, San Augustine, Sabine, Houston, Trinity, Angelina, Walker, San Jacinto, Polk, Tyler, Jasper, Newton, Montgomery, Liberty, Hardin, Orange, Waller, Harris, Chambers, Jefferson, Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Austin, Colorado, Wharton and Matagorda.

All parties having Public Safety interests within Region 51 are encouraged to attend. For further information, please contact:

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Additional information about 700 MHz National/Regional Planning and related matters can be found on the Public Safety web site located at: <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/publicsafety/700MHz/>.

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Drs. Jim and Sandy Gaston took these photos as they departed from Seattle's ferry terminal. Shown is Seattle Fire Department's Station 5 and two Seattle fireboats with powerful deck guns.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Texas Public Safety Planning Committee (Region 51) Announces First Meeting

By this notice, the Region 51 (Texas-Houston) 700 MHz Public Safety Planning Committee announces that its first meeting will be held on November 8, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. at the George R. Brown Convention Center General Assembly Room C, 1001 Avenida de las Americas, Houston, Texas.

The purpose of the meeting is to begin the formation of a coordinated regional plan for Region 51, Texas-Houston, including the counties of Shelby, Nacogdoches, San Augustine, Sabine, Houston, Trinity, Angelina, Walker, San Jacinto, Polk, Tyler, Jasper, Newton, Montgomery, Liberty, Hardin, Orange, Waller, Harris, Chambers, Jefferson, Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Austin, Colorado, Wharton and Matagora.

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TEXAS FIRE CHIEF Fall / Winter 2000



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TEXAS FIRE CHIEF

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Regarding Mr. Kirk Miller's article "An Old Nemesis" in the May 2000 magazine, while I agree encryption and good communications protocols are the best solutions to communications security, I must point out some errors in the article.

- Scanners are hardly a "nemesis," nor is public safety at war with scanner listeners. In fact most scanner hobbyists are not criminals, nor do most – or even many – criminals use scanners. Many argue it's actually good to have citizens listening to their local public safety agencies at work. The privacy of the communications is already protected under the Communications Act of 1934. I am also a dispatcher and I, for one, welcome the audience.

- Analog trunking offers no security whatsoever, despite this having been a traditional issue raised by the sales forces of the system manufacturers. Any receiver that will tune the frequencies can be used to hear the details of the transmissions. In fact, non-trunk-tracking receivers are more capable of this task. Trunk-tracking scanners block out private-call and phone-patch transmissions in trunked systems.

- E.F. Johnson's trunked radio systems can be trunk-tracked easily with hobbyist-level, commercially available equipment. Computer-controlled scanners offer even more possibilities.

- Only a few of the dozens of current model scanners have serial ports. Few users know how, or bother, to employ them. Few such ports offer the capabilities implied by Miller.

- There is no commercial, hobbyist-level product currently available that will allow the reception of digital radio signals. I am not aware of any software on the Internet that will permit this, although there may be in the future.

- The most cost-effective route to real communications security is to digitally encrypt conventional analog systems, unless your current trunked system already incorporates encryption (and it may). Somewhat less secure methods are far cheaper than quoted in the article (e.g., voice inversion or rolling code). It is illegal to attempt to decode any encrypted (not merely digitally encoded) signal. So even low-level encryption offers some degree of judicial protection, if not actual communications security.

- Conventional, analog 4800-baud mobile data terminals are very easily intercepted and decoded. They should not be viewed as a partially secure means of communications.

- The Project 25 standard is not a form of encryption; it's merely a digital standard. Digital signals, in some form, will no doubt be the format of the future, but bandwidth and system capabilities will be the real impetus for change, not a concern over privacy.

- I question if it is possible to "gradually migrate" to an all-digital system as the author describes.

- Because the mere detection of the presence of even an encrypted signal could tip your hand to a truly sophisticated target, you would need something even more sophisticated than what the author describes. True-spread spectrum, frequency hopping or other low probability of intercept/detect radio sets would be indicated. Even better still is just good old communications discipline.

- From a judicial standpoint, might it not be better to pass local laws or ordinances that make it a crime to use a scanner to aid in the commission of any other crime, rather than trying to ban radio receivers? Forbidding citizens to tune in to portions of the spectrum seems awfully authoritarian and special-interest oriented in what is still supposed to be a free society.

Respectfully,
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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

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ing. Now, however, the lieutenant wondered if the wireless-enabled unit would be one of the last communications tools still available to the deputies and other personnel in the field.

"I sent a message and immediately got through," Durko said. "Within minutes, the X-C 6250 Pro became the sheriff department's primary link in coordinating its disaster relief and public safety efforts."

Using the notebook, Durko and fellow senior officers directed the setup of a field command post at Farrington Field, a sports facility immediately adjacent to the downtown area. Before long, the department's patrol, criminal investigations and warrants divisions were working and sharing information together via the X-C 6250 Pro.

Elsewhere in the EOC, communications were so disrupted supervisors had no visual confirmation of the damage caused by the tornadoes. "The cable-TV feed had gone down, and because the EOC was in a concrete and steel building, we had no way of picking up the local-TV news reports," Durko said. "I downloaded some video footage that had been posted onto the Web site of one of the local TV stations, then played it over a video projector in the EOC. It was the first time supervisory personnel were able to actually see the extent of the damage to the buildings downtown."

Throughout the night, the sheriff's department and other authorities relied on the notebook computer network for important transmissions, receiving information and delivering orders via the "chat room" made possible by the workstation's wireless communications technology.

"We run a Cerulean Packet Cluster message switch on AT&T's Cellular Digital Packet Network over the X-C 6250 Pro, which creates a totally encrypted solution," Durko noted. "The system never failed and never bogged down despite the heavy use."

By six o'clock the next morning, cell phones and pagers had started to work again, and the downtown area was largely secure, [but] for more than 10 hours, the Itronix X-C 6250 Pro had been the department's lifeline.

Durko summed it up, "The whole county network is aware of the essential role this computer played. When a crisis hit, the X-C 6250 Pro made all the difference."

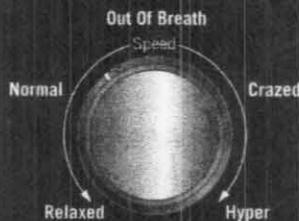
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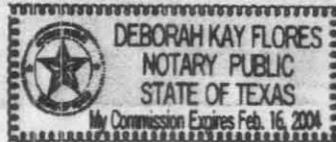
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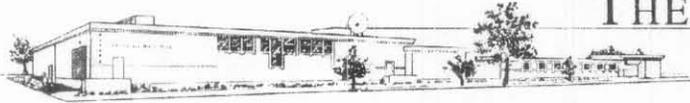
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REGION 51 700 MHZ PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Remarks of Donald K. Hollingsworth, Senior Executive Assistant to Mayor Lee P. Brown Office of Public Safety and Drug Policy for the City of Houston.

Remarks of Larry Orr, Harris County Radio Division Chief and past Convener of WT Docket No. 87-112 of the 800 MHZ Region 51 Planning Committee.

Election of Committee Chairs.

Presentation by David Eierman and Bette Rinehart of Motorola, INC.

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Bylaws committee members needed.

Adjourn

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