

# OHIO AMBER ALERT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

## Live In-Person Meeting

2855 W. Dublin-Granville Road

Columbus, Ohio 43235

April 20, 2023

Ohio AMBER Alert Advisory Committee member, Harry Trombitas, called to order the April 20, 2023, meeting of the Ohio AMBER Alert Advisory Committee at approximately 10:04 am. The first order of business was the roll call taken by Capt. Raines.

### I. ROLL CALL - PRESENT

#### IN-PERSON

Ohio Association of Broadcasters	Christine Merritt
Local/Regional AMBER Plan, Mid-Ohio AMBER Alert Community Member	Clark Donley
Buckeye State Sheriff's Association	Harry Trombitas
Ohio Emergency Management Agency	Sheriff Jim Crawford (pending)
State Emergency Communications Committee	Brian Castner
Ohio Department of Aging	Paul Jellison
	Erin Pettegrew

#### ROLL CALL – ABSENT

Ohio Attorney General's Office	Brent Currence
Federal Bureau of Investigation	Vacant
Ohio Association of Police Chiefs	Chief Clayton Harris
Ohio Department of Transportation	Leslie Prater
Ohio State Highway Patrol	Vacant

#### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Ohio State Highway Patrol	Captain Ron Raines
Ohio State Highway Patrol	S/Lieutenant Kristin Wickman
Ohio State Highway Patrol	AP4 Pam Walker
Ohio State Highway Patrol Dispatch Manager	Matt Stegner
Marion County Sheriff's Office	Captain Lydia Frey
Ohio 9-1-1	Rob Jackson
WOSU News	George Shillcock
FBI – Columbus	Kristina Conrad

#### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE (via Bridge Call)

Pickaway County Sheriff's Office	Corporal Keeton
Port Clinton Police Department	Mark Anderson
Union County Sheriff's Office	Pam Millhoan
Geauga County Sheriff's Office	Chief Deputy Rowan
Clark County Sheriff's Office	Asst. Dir. of Com. Alicia Lemen

## II. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 19, 2022, MEETING MINUTES

Harry Trombitas asked the Ohio AMBER Alert Advisory Committee to review the minutes. Motion was made to accept by Paul Jellison. Clark Donley seconded. Motion carried by all.

## III. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Review of AMBER Alerts:

Staff Lieutenant Kristin Wickman advised there were three (3) AMBER Alert activations:

1. 3/02/23 – activated by N. College Hill P.D.
2. 3/12/23 – activated by Whitehall P.D.
3. 3/23/23 – activated by Zanesville

S/Lt. Wickman gave a brief description of each, with a ring doorbell video of the abduction from Whitehall P.D. (3/12/23).

### B. Review of Blue Alerts:

There were no Blue Alerts for this quarter.

### C. Review of Endangered Missing Child Alerts:

For first quarter, 2023, there were two (2) Missing Child alerts:

1. 1/19/23 – Henry County, the Alert did not assist in recovery of the child, but the child found safe in the Cleveland area.
2. 3/12/23 – Cleveland area. Found with non-custodial father; however, the Alert did not assist in the recovery.

### D. Review of Endangered Missing Adult Alerts:

There were thirty-seven (37) Missing Adult alerts this quarter. Twelve (12) additional calls did not result in activation of an alert. One individual found deceased by law enforcement.

### E. Alerts Training Update:

Two (2) sessions were held in January through the Medina County Sheriff's Office with fifty-four (54) officers and dispatchers with eleven (11) different agencies in attendance.

Committee decided in January to do Regional Trainings for all alert types, so that smaller agencies are able participate and the training is more geographically convenient.

1. Proactive Sessions have been established: Columbus, OH (5/11); Kent State Trumble Community College (8/16); Warren County Sheriff's Office (8/24); working on sessions for Findlay; Athens County; and Cuyahoga Community College. Also, one (1) for Fairfield County Sheriff's Office and local agencies set up for July 10th.

### F. 2023 Alerts Conference:

Clark Donley advises the 2023 Alerts Conference has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at the OSHP Training Academy. Tentative schedule subjects have been discussed and planning a "save the date" announcement in July.

## IV. NEW BUSINESS

Erin Pettegrew advised clarification regarding residents missing from nursing homes. Rob Jackson, Ohio 911, gave an update regarding the Ohio State Fair. Clark Donley made a Motion to have a table at the Fair, Paul Jellison seconded. Motion approved.

**V. COMMENTS**

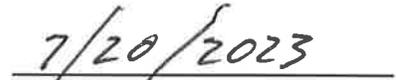
Captain Raines requested questions and/or comments from people on the bridge call. There were none.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned.



Brent Currence, Chairperson



Date