

Subject: Unreadable

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“Last station on 37Fire, you are unreadable.”

That statement from an Isabella County dispatcher is heard daily on Isabella County fire service radio channels and not just when NSFD personnel are involved. Just program your scanner to 154.235 MHz or get the “Scanner 911” app for your phone and listen in. Better yet, get the “5-0 Radio Police Scanner” or “Police Scanner Free” app for your computer and record the fire channel traffic for a few weeks.

Think about how you would feel if you were out in the County on an emergency call and you couldn’t make radio contact with dispatch. Don’t you feel any obligation at all to make emergency scenes as safe as possible for the citizens and volunteers of your county?

For over 15 months we have struggled to make ourselves heard over the digital radio system you forced on us. It didn’t work for the police, but you forced us to use it anyway. Since March of 2015, you have done nothing to fix the problems you created.

It’s only a matter of time before a firefighter/medical first responder or citizen is injured or killed because of your apathy. When that happens, regardless of which fire district is involved, I will make sure the injured party or the survivors are provided with the phone numbers and emails for six personal injury law firms I have contacted. I will make sure they know that you could have prevented the tragedy.

I will provide the plaintiffs with a searchable PDF compilation of 1,252 pages of documents I purchased from Isabella County that will clearly show how indifference, negligence and incompetence on the part of you and your employees allowed a hazardous communications situation to be created and remain in existence since March of 2015.

I will bring to the plaintiffs attention the fact that the County is not in compliance with NFPA 1221.

I will testify to my efforts and those of Chief Livermore to get you to fix the problems your hirelings created. Myself and others will gladly testify that we had a good communications system and you allowed it to be replaced with an inferior system that had already been proven to be a failure for County police.

Your indifference and disrespect for the volunteer firefighters of Isabella County is despicable. If someone is hurt because of your negligence, I sincerely hope that each and every one of you is reduced to poverty by court order. If the communications failure contributes to the death of an individual, I hope a prison sentence is included in the judgment. You have no right to be so callous about our safety.

Sincerely,

Frank Benn

Firefighter/EMT/Safety Officer
For a fire department in NW Isabella County

**READ ABOUT HOW ISABELLA COUNTY OFFICIALS
HAVE ENDANGERED N.W. ISABELLA COUNTY
FIREFIGHTERS AND THE PEOPLE THEY SERVE**
<http://www.bennsci.com/digital.html>

The only thing more expensive than education is ignorance.
- Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790)

The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is
for good men to do nothing.
- Edmund Burke (1729-1797)

A MAJOR INCENTIVE FOR CRIMINALS:
Law abiding citizens are almost always unarmed.

THE SAFEST PLACE TO COMMIT A CRIME:
A "no gun zone".

"The right of self-defence never ceases. It is among
the most sacred, and alike necessary to nations and
to individuals..."
-James Monroe,
President of the United States, 1818.

Smith & Wesson: One of the best life assurance
companies in the world.

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