

## Wireless 911 Advisory Board Meeting

August 24, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at  
431 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Broken Bow, NE

### Minutes

**Meeting called to Order:** Statement regarding Open Meetings Act (*in the room and on website*)  
By Chair Reeves at 10:05 am

**Roll Call:** As follows Ben Backus – present, Tim Higgins – excused, Shelly Holzerland – present, Neil Miller – present, Carolyn Moore – excused, Bill Muldoon – excused, Steve Reeves – present, Brian Thompson – present. Results 5 present and 3 excused.

**Consideration of minutes:** from the May 18, 2022, meeting motion to accept the minutes by Holzerland seconded by Thompson. Vote as follows Higgins – excused, Holzerland – yes, Miller – yes, Moore – excused, Muldoon – excused, Reeves – yes, Thompson – yes, Backus – yes. Results 5 yes and 3 excused motion carries.

**Old Business:** Director Sankey – Updates

- NG 911 Deployment – The SCP region was connected from December 2021 through March 2022 when Dawes County is connected, they will be complete. The Region is upgrading to Viper 7 which will allow text to 911 through the ESINet. The Metro is scheduled next to connect and they have developed some issues during testing that they are working with Lumen to correct. This should only push them back a couple of weeks in September. Mid-East region is scheduled for early to mid-October. The NC region is working on circuits so looking at October or November for connection. The NE region is scheduled to connect in late October or November as well. The EC region is looking at a December time frame. With the SE region being last, they are reviewing a proposal from Lumen or possibly doing an RFP for their network provider, so we are looking at maybe the second quarter of 2023 depending on what they decide to do. Lots of activity in the next few months.

**New Business:** None

**PSAP funding Requests:**

Cedar County – PCs for Motorola ECW – Motion to recommend for approval by Miller seconded by Thompson. Vote as follows Holzerland – yes, Miller – yes, Moore – excused, Muldoon – excused, Reeves – yes, Thompson – yes, Backus – yes, Higgins – excused. Results 5 yes 3 excused motion carries.

Colfax County – Lumen SIP Request – Motion by Miller to recommend for approval with notation that this cost isn't duplicated later seconded by Backus. Vote as follows Miller – yes, Moore – excused, Muldoon – excused, Reeves – yes, Thompson – yes, Backus – yes, Higgins – excused, Holzerland – yes. Results 5 yes 3 excused motion carries.

Fillmore County – Eventide Logging Recorder – Motion to recommend for approval after it is confirmed the quote price is for Fillmore County and not Jefferson County by Miller seconded by Thompson. Vote as follows Moore – excused, Muldoon – excused, Reeves – yes, Thompson – yes, Backus – yes, Higgins – excused, Holzerland – yes, Miller – yes. Results 5 yes 3 excused motion carries.

Washington County – Shared CAD upgrade – Motion to recommend for approval by Holzerland seconded by Thompson. Vote as follows Muldoon – excused, Reeves – yes, Thompson -yes, Backus – yes, Higgins – excused, Holzerland – yes, Miller – yes, Moore – excused. Results 5 yes 3 excused motion carries.

*Status Reports Distributed:*

**Fund Balance:** \$8,214,105.87

Discussion – No reduction in costs to the Legacy System yet from the SCP region being on the ESINet because only one carrier has migrated to direct connection so far that is Cozad Telephone Company. Great Plains is working towards that migration now.

**Annual Surcharge Recommendation:** Discussion on how the fund is managing at the current rate of 0.70¢ for all Counties in the state except for Douglas which is capped at 0.50¢, while maintaining both the NG 911 and Legacy systems.

Motion to recommend that the Surcharge remain at the current rate of 0.70¢ for all Counties in Nebraska except for Douglas which is capped at 0.50¢ at this time by Miller seconded by Holzerland. Vote as follows Reeves – yes, Thompson – yes, Backus – yes, Higgins – excused, Holzerland – yes, Miller – yes, Moore – excused, Muldoon – excused. Results 5 yes 3 excused motion carries.

**Board Member Comment:** Discussion State Radio System and the 911 system more and more are hand in hand. Sheriff Miller commented that they use the State ROC radio channels to communicate with their neighbors. On a state level it would be good to have someone with knowledge in that field to be invited to the meetings or possibly be a non-voting member. This would require future legislation to change the member category requirement. The CIO Ed Toner does have a designee, Currently, Sue Krogman, the state SWIC, sits as a non-voting member on the 911 Service System Advisory Committee.

**Public Comment:** Region 26 Director Alma Beland made the following comment: We would like to see the surcharge rate remain at the 0.70¢ across the state even after the initial NG911 transition cost and the higher cost of having the two systems goes away. PSAPs would like to see that extra revenue come back to them to assist with their operational costs.

**Schedule Next Meeting:** October 11, 2022, at 1000 location TBD either at APCO/NENE prior to 911 goes to Lincoln or at the PSC hearing room.

**Adjourn:** at 10:50 am by Chair Reeves