

Wireless 911 Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2015
Nebraska Public Service Commission
Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

Meeting called to Order at 10:35 a.m. by Neil Miller.

A statement was made regarding the Open Meetings Act by Neil Miller.

Roll Call:
Neil Miller
Julie Righter Dove
Brenda Carlisle
Isaac Brown
Mark Conrey

Present from the Commission were Commissioner Jerry Vap, Sue Vanicek, Joan Raffety, Jamie Reyes, Cullen Robbins, and Kathy Shepard.

Consideration of meeting minutes for October 19, 2015, meeting: Motion made by Brenda Carlisle to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Julie Righter Dove. With all members present voting aye, motion carries.

Text to 911 Update: Representatives from CenturyLink, Danny Wallace and Crystal Koehn provided an update regarding text to 911 services. CenturyLink will be responsible for site preparation and sale of text to 911 equipment and will coordinate implementation. The PSAP will then go directly through Intrado for text to 911 service.provision. CenturyLink will provide pricing for equipment and service to PSAPs but there will be two separate contracts – one with CenturyLink and one with Intrado.

Discussion was had regarding an issue with receiving text to 911 calls when the LTE network was utilized.

Gary Warren from Hamilton Telecommunications addressed the board regarding his interest in text to 911 issues.

Jamie Reyes discussed the Attorney General Opinion received by the Commission on October 27, 2015, regarding Next Generation 911. Discussion was had by the advisory board.

Proposed Nebraska 911 Legislation was discussed by the advisory board.

Neil Miller temporarily recused himself as chair of the meeting. Julie Righter Dove took over as chair of the meeting.

Buffalo County Funding Request: Neil Miller discussed the funding request. Discussion was had regarding whether this should be a cost that is split by the wireless ratio.

Isaac Brown made a motion recommending approval of the funding request at 100 percent from wireless funds. Mark Conrey seconded the motion. With Neil Miller abstaining and all other members voting aye, motion carried.

Neil Miller resumed his position as chair for the meeting.

Cuming County Funding Request: Nicole Lund discussed the funding request. She advised that the county had decided to replace their Viper system with Zetron Max call taking equipment and a GeoComm map. Ms. Lund advised that the PSAP had had many problems with CenturyLink and the technician that they worked with that were never able to be resolved. Ms. Lund advised that the Viper was installed eight years ago, that they had stayed current with upgrades and that they had been on a year-to-year contract with their maintenance agreements with CenturyLink. Julie Righter Dove made a motion to recommend approval of the funding request. Brenda Carlisle seconded the motion. With Mark Conrey voting nay and all other members present voting aye, motion carried.

Hamilton County Funding Request: Deb Wehmeier discussed the funding request. A discussion was had regarding separating out the radio portion of the funding request. Hamilton County withdrew funding request and will resubmit.

Sarpy County Funding Request: Joan Raffety advised she had discussed the training portion of the funding request with the PSAP and that it would be paid for utilizing annual allocation funds and that a funding request wasn't necessary. Stu DeLaCastro discussed the funding request for the replacement of switches in their Viper. Discussion was had by the Advisory Board. Julie Righter Dove made a motion to recommend approval of the funding request pursuant to the wireless ratio. Isaac Brown seconded the motion. With all present voting aye, motion carried.

City of South Sioux City Funding Request: A discussion was had regarding the funding request. Isaac Brown made a motion to reject the funding request and request that an amended funding request be presented to the Commission with an explanation of how separate components are related to the receipt of wireless E911 calls. Brenda Carlisle seconded the motion. With all members present voting aye, motion carried.

Discussion was had regarding developing some type of guidance for PSAPs with regard to 911 equipment issues and their responsibility in resolving issues and purchasing new equipment. Discussion was had regarding setting up standards to guide PSAPs in their decision-making efforts. A working group will meet to discuss this issue.

Franklin EDS Funding Request: Dale Casper discussed the funding request. Mark Conrey made a motion to recommend approval of the funding request. Julie Righter Dove seconded the motion. With all members present voting aye, motion carried.

Boyd-Holt Counties and Region 24: Keya Paha, Brown, Rock and Cherry Counties Funding Requests were tabled until a recommendation has been received from Mission Critical Partners.

Joan Raffety reported that the balance in the Wireless E911 Fund was \$16,111,205.67.

A Resolution was presented to Mark Conrey recognizing his service to the Commission.

Future meetings set as follows:

February 1, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Work group meeting

February 8, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. Advisory Board meeting

Adjourn at 12:12a.m.