

Cass County 911 Service Board

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MINUTES

May 26, 2020 – 6:00pm

Cass County Courthouse Basement Meeting Rm – 5 W. 7th St., Atlantic, IA 50022

Members present: Jim Behrens (Atlantic), Mark O'Brien (Cass County), Virginia Coughlin (Cumberland), Julie Adams-Kirk Stapleton (Griswold), Randy Baxter (Marne), Jackson Bissell (Massena), Darby McLaren (CCSO), Ryan Archibald (Lewis) and Steve Green (EMA)

Members absent: Kevin Christensen (Brayton), Dave Reynolds (Elliott), Ford Lillard (Wiota), Derrick Williams (Council Bluffs) Tom Harris (Anita) and Greg Vetter (Grant),

Staff present: E911 Director Mike Kennon

Citizens present: None.

Chair Mark O'Brien called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Introductions

M/S/C Green / Coughlin to approve the agenda as published. Carried unanimously.

M/S/C Stapleton / Green to approve the prior meeting Minutes. Carried unanimously.

M/S/C Coughlin / Stapleton to approve the Financial Statements since last meeting. Carried unanimously.

Director's Report: Mike Kennon updated the Board on integration onto the ISICS statewide radio platform. Four additional console radios have been ordered to provide dispatchers the ability to monitor and interact on necessary talk groups until a new console can be installed. After that, these console radios will act as a backup to the console system which will be connected to ISICS via ICN fiber.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kennon recommended a move to a Motorola dispatch console. He explained that the current Avtec console will allow very limited access to the new ISICS statewide radio system. A Motorola console would open up the entire offerings of ISICS Talk Groups to our local dispatchers. The main obstacle is cost. An initial Motorola console proposal was for about \$350,000. After review of that proposal, it has been adjusted to \$303,823.

Kennon then reported that RACOM had recently installed new Zetron call-taking equipment. Most of the cost of this change was paid by the State. Kennon briefly described the RapidSOS feature which uses cell phone GPS to more accurately locate a 911 call. Also, wireline 911 calls will soon be routed to a remote centralized location and re-routed back to our PSAP as a VOIP call.

Old Business: Kennon said that the project to supply County fire departments with two dual-band radios was nearly complete. Those radios have all been delivered and installed. The Atlantic Police radio project is also nearly complete. They also have the radios. Finally, the Sheriff's Office radio project is in progress and likely won't be complete until July.

New Business: Kennon asked that the Board approve the Motorola proposal for a new dispatch console.

M/S/C Green / Baxter to accept the Motorola proposal for a new console system at a cost of \$303,823.

There were no public comments or concerns.

M/S/C Green / McLaren to adjourn at 6:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Mark A. Green", is written over a horizontal line.

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Ray/M. Co Sheriff

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Mark O'Brien - 911

Jeri Behres - City of Atlantic

~~Jack Staphelma~~ - City of Griswold

Ryan Archibald - Lewis

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