

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Monroe County Illinois 911 Board

Thursday, February 15, 2024 at the Emergency Operations Center, Monroe County Court Building

Call to Order:

Lynden Prange called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The following were present at the meeting:

Kevin Scheibe (Staff/Present)	Rachele Starr (Staff/Present)
Lynden Prange (Present)	John Hanegan (Absent)
Dane Luke (Present)	Kim Lamprecht (Present)
Vicki Koerber (Absent)	Jason Donjon (Present)
Jim Maurer (Absent)	Charlie Kujawski (Present)
Chad Mueller (Present)	Ryan Walker (Present)
Marty Seitz (Present)	Carla Heise (Present)
Floyd Floarke (Present)	
Joe Krump (Present)	

Public Comments

None

Approval of Minutes (December 14, 2023):

Motion to approve minutes from December 14, 2023 made by Ryan Walker. Second to the motion made by Marty Seitz. All voted in favor.

Approval of Financial Report:

A copy of the Financial Report (November 30, 2023-January 31, 2024) is attached. Balance of \$414,985.67. Revenue of \$46,634.84. Expenditures of \$239,971.35. CDs are \$1,334,536.12. Total 911 funds of \$1,748,180.93.

Motion to approve the Financial Report made by Jason Donjon. Second to the motion made by Kim Lamprecht. All voted in favor.

Approval of Bills:

A copy of the October 2023 Bill Report is attached with a total for all invoices for \$20,351.07.

- City of Columbia- Cellular data services for months of December and January : \$600.82
- Toshiba Financial Services- February monthly copier statement: \$150.75
- Columbia Fire Protection Dist: ESO solutions yearly contract for EFD reporting: 1,586.05
- Motorola Solutions: Annual maintenance contract for MCSD: \$41,246.25
- HTC- February fiber statement for both MCSD and CPD PSAP's: \$239.90

Motion to pay the bills made by Charlie Kujawski. Second to the motion made by Jason Donjon. All voted in favor.

Old Business:

Kevin provided an update for reimbursement for the Nelson Recording System. The reimbursement should be received by March 2024.

New Business:

Board Member Revisions: Waterloo PD Chief Dane Luke is set to replace former Chief Jeff Prosis on the board since his retirement. The Monroe County Commissioners will have to approve his appointment. In addition, due to the passing of Chad Grohmann, a new representative will need to be appointed from the Red Bud Fire Department. Kevin advised state law allows 90 days to find a replacement. Kevin spoke with Red Bud FD Chief Sean Landgraf. Chief Landgraf assured Kevin a replacement would be appointed.

Annual Financial Report- ISP Update: Kevin submitted the annual financial report to the state. He received the initial approval that all funds were spent appropriately. The financial report was also listed in the Republic Times newspaper.

Navigator Conference: Kevin said reservations for the conference have been confirmed. Dispatchers from CPD, MCSD, Rachele Starr and Kevin will be attending. Kevin mentioned that CPD will be sending two dispatchers, but MCSD will only be sending one dispatcher due to scheduling conflicts and a fair rotation of who is attending.

Text/Video/Picture to 911: Text/Video/Picture capabilities have been installed at CPD and MCSD PSAP's. Kevin said on 01/23/24, both PSAP's were scheduled to go live; however, the messages were not going through. He advised Solacom had a software issue, which they are aware of. Six other PSAP's throughout the State of Illinois are experiencing the same issue. Kevin stated text messages can be received, but no messages can be sent back. Kevin said Solacom elevated the issue to a higher priority, due to the ISP 911 Director questioning its status. Lynden Prange questioned if this was an issue throughout the state of Illinois. Kevin advised it was specifically to any PSAP's that used Solacom. Lynden then asked if the video/picture to 911 was functioning. Kevin said video/picture to 911 was only available by AT&T until 2025. No other carriers have the capabilities. Kevin stated another 911 AT&T test was completed in the river bottoms area of Monroe County, as well as the Hanover Rd area. Both tests were routed to the correct PSAP.

FY 2025 NG911 Grant: Kevin stated a proposal for indoor school mapping will be submitted. There are 15 schools (private and public) in Monroe County. Kevin met with all of the school principals and superintendents. All administrators were in favor of the mapping. The mapping will be 3D, used for active shooter, search, and rescue, etc. Kevin said the grant application would be submitted on 02/20/2024 for \$164,000. The total amount should be covered by the grant. The ISP 911 director believed the entire amount submitted should be covered. In May of 2024, once the grant is awarded, all of the imaging of the interior and exterior of the schools will be obtained. In September of 2024, the maps will be available and ready for review (digital and paper versions). Kevin and Rachele will review the maps with all police, fire, and EMS agencies in Monroe County. Charlie Kujawski advised the 2026 NG911 grant should be used for radio communications in schools. New radios should be purchased with Wi-Fi capabilities, since the current portable radios have issues with service while inside all schools within Monroe County. Lynden Prange asked if new radios could be covered in the NG911 grant Kevin is about to submit. Kevin said this year's NG911 grant does not cover radio communications. Charlie said the issue is 911 is able to get the call to the officer, but communications past that point are difficult. Charlie then asked how the Wi-Fi capabilities work on the radios. Kevin said there is a flat fee to utilize the Wi-Fi capabilities, utilizing the Wave application, which is more costly than radios without Wi-Fi. Kevin stated Ryan Weber was able to communicate with him while in Louisiana using Wi-Fi.

CDS Toughbook's and docking stations: Kevin said back in the June or August 2023 911 board meeting, eight Toughbook's and docking stations were approved to be ordered. The order for those Toughbook's are just about to arrive. Kevin then asked if the board would approve ordering eight more Toughbook's and docking stations. Kevin said two years ago MCSD had already purchased several Toughbook's and were still operating with the original CF-31 models. The older models are antiquated and need to be replaced. Kevin said four Toughbook's would go to MCSD, two for WPD, one for CPD, and one for Kevin to keep as a loaner for departments to use as needed. Kevin said the Toughbook's with the docking stations are \$4,075.00 each. Carla Heise then asked if a Toughbook would be needed for the QRV (Quick Response Vehicle). Kevin said it would and asked for a 9th Toughbook/docking station to be added to the request. Questions were raised about what a QRV would be used for. Carla Heise and Kim Lamprecht explained the need and use of the QRV to board members. Kevin confirmed the price for the Toughbook's and docking stations were priced at the state bid cost. Charlie Kujawski made a motion to approve the purchase. Second to the motion was Kim Lamprecht. All voted in favor.

Open Discussion: Several board members discussed how antiquated some of the current Toughbook's were. Kevin explained Toughbook's are typically replaced every five years. It was noted that due to police agencies using the Toughbook's more often than other agencies, their Toughbook's may not last as long as other agencies. Lynden Prange mentioned the State of Illinois might be tightening what the 911 board would be allowed to spend funds on, so getting some of these items purchased now may be a good idea.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Charlie Kujawski. Second to the motion was made by Kim Lamprecht. Meeting was adjourned.