

Wireless 911 Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2011
Nebraska Public Service Commission
300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street and
Via video the Communications Center Building,
1918 University Drive, Kearney, Nebraska

The meeting of the Wireless 911 Advisory Board was called to Order by Pete Peterson at 10:06 a.m.

A statement was made regarding the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call: Neil Miller, Pete Peterson, Jack Vavra, Issac Brown, Mark Conrey and Brenda Decker are present.

Commissioner Jerry Vap, Sue Vanicek, Angela Melton and Joan Raffety present from the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

Consideration of minutes of January 24, 2011 Meeting. Motion made by Jack Vavra to approve the minutes. Isaac Brown seconded the motion. With all members present voting aye, motion carries.

Review and Action regarding Following Funding Requests:

Question was posed by Mark Conrey about what the Advisory Board's role would be going forward with regard to funding requests. Discussion was had about the need to have technical issues and funding requests reviewed. Neil Miller asked what types of funding requests would need to continue to be approved by the Board. Angela Melton advised that the equipment purchases would still come before the Advisory Board and Commission for approval and that other expenses will be reviewed as part of the audit process developed by the Commission.

North Platte Police Department: Funding request for upgrade of current equipment. Purchase will be made with funds allocated to the PSAP previously. PSAP seeking permission to utilize funding for this purpose. Isaac Brown made a motion to approve the funding request. Neil Miller seconded the motion. With all members present voting aye, motion carries.

KBRC Regional E911: Question is posed about the date on the funding request. Mark Conrey poses question about the network and who is going to be maintaining the router. Isaac Brown made a motion to approve the request. Jack Vavra seconded the request. With all members present voting aye, motion carries. Question is posed as to whether this funding request would be deducted from their allocation. Commission advised that any funding request approved would be deducted from their allocation.

Cheyenne County: Funding request for software/hardware upgrade to Viper. Pete Peterson mentioned that the bid included \$7,200 for refresher training. He questioned whether that was necessary. Advisory board discussed the funding request and

determined that the refresher training wasn't being included in the request for funding. Mark Conrey advised he just went through an upgrade with his Viper system. He advised that he thought that the "Professional Services-Installation" was probably for Positron to be on-site at the time of the upgrade. Original equipment was installed in December 2007. Isaac Brown made a motion to approve the funding request at their approved percentage rating of wireless/wireline. Jack Vavra seconded the motion. With all members present voting aye, motion carries.

Cheyenne County: Funding request for recording system. Discussion was had as to if this would be an advance based on percentage of wireless calls. Discussion was had regarding where we draw the line for things that the Commission will advance funding for. Neil Miller discussed that after this first 12-month period, he didn't feel we should be advancing money on things other than 911 telephone equipment that is used to answer 911 telephone calls. Isaac Brown said that he felt that if this is an approved cost through the Commission order, it should be paid for. Jack Vavra made a motion to deny the funding request. Neil Miller seconded the motion. Neil Miller advised that he feels that we need to be careful because it's outside the scope of what's been done in the past. He further advised that we don't want counties to get in over their head with their cash flow by getting advances that will lessen their allocations in coming years. Mark Conrey discussed that if this is outside of the scope of whatever money the PSAP is normally getting, it needs to plan ahead for upgrades. He further stated that if a PSAP knows that they have an inevitable upgrade coming in the near future, and you spend the money elsewhere if puts the PSAP in a bad position. If they want to take their set-aside money to purchase the equipment, that's one thing, but doesn't feel it's appropriate to have funds advanced for all costs. Discussion was had regarding this issue. Discussion had about PSAPs sharing equipment. With all members present voting aye, motion carries.

Discussion of Annual PSAP and WSP Verifications and Applications for Funding: Received PSAP funding requests from all but seven eligible PSAPs. The Commission received two extension requests. Suggestion was made to formalize a procedure about late filing of the applications.

Discussion of Eligible Costs under 911-SAM: Pete Peterson discussed funds that PSAPs are allowed to hold back for future equipment purchases. He questioned if the 75% that is able to be held back is 75% of total allocation or 75% after prior funding requests approved are deducted. Discussion was had regarding training expenses allowable. Questions were posed when wireless/wireline ratio is determined. Questions were posted as to whether computer-based training was allowed. Discussion had about PSAP costs and the danger of advancing money to the PSAPs to the point they can't afford to operate.

Joan Raffety reported that the balance in the Wireless E911 Fund is \$16,989,557.27.

Joan Raffety reported that Garden and KBRC will be implementing landline 911 in the summer of 2011. She further reported that Morrill, MidRivers, Falls City (Richardson) and EDS 911 (Franklin) have requested Phase I and II.

Next meeting will be scheduled in early July 2011. Angela will send around a meeting date.

Adjourn at 11:27 a.m.