

DELAWARE COUNTY 911 BOARD  
MINUTES  
November 9, 2010  
DELAWARE COUNTY EOC

In attendance at the meeting was: Chairman Honeycutt, City Manager Homan, Commissioner O'Brien, Chief Martin, Chief Vest, Capt Savage (for Sheriff Davis), Chief Donahue, 911 Director Greenlaw, County Administrator Hansley, and Lt Church..

Also Present: Patrick Brandt

Not Present: City Manager Lutz, Trustee Panzarella, Chief Farmer, and Chief Morris

- I. Chairman Honeycutt called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m with the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was not initially present at the beginning of the meeting.
- II. Chairman Honeycutt asked County Commissioner O'Brien to introduce Tim Hansley as the new Delaware County Administrator.
- III. Public Comment - None
- IV. Committee Report
  - A. Technical Committee
    - i. Chief Donahue reported that the meeting was scheduled for the end of October; however, was cancelled due to a storm. Next meeting is in December.
  - B. Standards and Protocols – None
  - C. Administrative
    - i. Performance Review – City Manager Homan stated that 911 Director Greenlaw's Performance Evaluation information was provided to former County Administrator Martin. 911 Director Greenlaw stated that he had provided the goals for 2011 to former County Administrator Martin. The Committee asked County Administrator Hansley if he would follow through with the evaluation.

Chief Martin and Chief Vest arrived and the meeting now had a quorum.

- D. 911/Communication Levy
  - i. Chairman Honeycutt stated that 911/Communication Levy did not pass; however, complemented 911 Director Greenlaw on the great job he did promoting the levy. Chairman Honeycutt stated that the big question he heard from the public was the question on double taxation.

- ii. Chairman Honeycutt asked how the Board wished to proceed related to the Levy. A special election is possible; but the cost can be expensive.
- iii. City Manager Homan stated that this is too important not to readdress. He suggested that a working group be established to look at the possibilities.
- iv. 911 Director Greenlaw stated that he thinks we can do a better job selling the levy.
- v. Chairman Honeycutt reconvened the Levy Committee. The Committee will include the Administrative Committee with Chief Honeycutt, Chief Vest and Chief Martin.

#### V. 911 Director Report

- A. 911 Director Greenlaw stated that an in-service meeting was held with Chief Martin and Lt Church. The group was to discuss and work through the common issues related to their agencies. The meetings have been very productive and resources have been identified on how each agency can assist the other. The Sheriffs Office was also present during the meeting.
- B. 911 Director Greenlaw reported that since the consolidation, there have been some deliverable issues/expectations on both DelComm and the City. DelComm and the City have met to discuss how to make improvements. The meetings have been very productive. One of the items to assist will be officers and dispatchers spending field time with each other.
- C. 911 Director Greenlaw stated that that the 911 Center has been spending about \$20,000 a month in overtime. He is working to bring more staff on-board. Chief Martin has volunteered to conduct background checks. 911 Director Greenlaw stated that he is re-evaluating the recruiting process.
- D. 911 Director Greenlaw reported that Capt Pijanowski is wrapping up his EMP Instructional training. Once completed, he will need to deliver programs while being evaluated to be certified. Chief Morris has one more class to complete in order to complete his instructional certification.

#### VI. Unfinished Business

- A. FCC Bandwidth - Chief Donahue stated that he has received a letter from Senator Voinovich related to the FCC's National Broadband Plan. Chief Donahue will include the letter with the minutes. Chief Honeycutt stated that he received a phone call from Representative Tiberi's office related to the issue. He spent 45 minutes discussing the issue. Chief Honeycutt thanked Patrick for the education about the matter.
- B. OWU – Chief Martin asked about the status of OWU utilizing DelComm for dispatching. 911 Director Greenlaw stated that the Prosecutors Office is currently working on an agreement since OWU is now certified as a Police Department. OWU will be looking at coverage during nights and weekends.
- C. Probation Office – Chief Martin asked about the Probation Office being covered by a dispatch center. Capt Savage stated that the Sherriff Office

has had preliminary discussion with them. The main request that the Probation Office is asking for is to have someone monitoring their officer's locations and to conduct check-up while in the field. Further discussions with the Sherriff's office are expected.

VII. Reading and Approval of Minutes

- A. Motion by Commissioner O'Brien and seconded by Chief Vest to accept the Minutes of October 5, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. New Business

- A. Franklin County MOU – Director Greenlaw stated that Patrick has been working with Franklin County related to interoperability. Patrick stated that one of the questions related to interoperability is the usage on the other agencies radio system. Patrick stated that the agencies he has been working with agree that the costs are essentially offsetting, so the desire is not to charge any agency. Discussion followed related to funding of these systems. Once a MOU is drafted, it will be forwarded to the Prosecutors Office for review.
- B. Orange Twp Back-up Center – Orange Twp is excited about the 911 Back-up center being located in their fire station. Two concerns have risen and are being worked on.
  - i. Fiber optics (Steve Lewis working on)
  - ii. Gap Insurance (Prosecutors Office working on)
- C. Letter of Appreciation – 911 Director Greenlaw read a letter on behalf of Tri-Township Fire concerning the assistance Brittany Craig provided on a horse rescue. Tri-Township was appreciative of the assistance provided and 911 Director Greenlaw commented on Brittany Craig going above and beyond the call for service.

IX. There being no further business before the Board, Motion by Chief Martin and seconded by Chief Vest to adjourn the meeting. Motion was approved at 1:54 p.m.

X. Next meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2010.

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## **APPROPRIATIONS**

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## **ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS**

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## **HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

RANKING MEMBER, SUBCOMMITTEE ON  
OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT,  
THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE, AND  
THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 4, 2010

Mr. John Donahue  
Fire Chief  
99 South Liberty Street  
Delaware, Ohio 43015

Dear John:

Thank you for contacting me regarding a national public safety broadband network.

On February 24, 2010, Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Julius Genachowski announced a plan for a nationwide public safety interoperable mobile broadband network as part of the FCC's National Broadband Plan. He recommended the creation of an Emergency Response Interoperability Center (ERIC) at the FCC to establish a technical framework that will provide for nationwide interoperability. To fund this initiative, Chairman Genachowski recommended that Congress consider significant public funding, \$12-16 billion over 10 years, for the creation of an approximately \$6 billion federal grant program to help support network construction and additional funding for the operation and evolution of the broadband network.

The Chairman further recommended a D Block auction to allow public safety to access to the D Block spectrum and the entire 700 MHz band through roaming and priority access arrangements. Thus, public safety will not be limited to 10 MHz of spectrum, but may have access to as much as 80 MHz.

On August 5, 2010, Sen. John Rockefeller (D-WV) introduced the Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act (S. 3756). S. 3756 would direct the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to: (1) ensure the deployment of a nationwide public safety interoperable broadband network in the 700 MHz band which is deployed in both rural and urban areas; (2) reallocate and integrate the 700 MHz D block spectrum for use by public safety entities; (3) permit flexible use of the narrowband spectrum; (4) ensure that the nationwide public safety broadband network is fully interoperable on a nationwide basis; and (5) establish a 10-year public safety advisory board.

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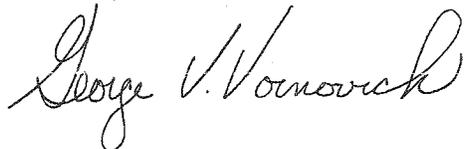
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It also would increase the electromagnetic spectrum allocation for public safety services by 10 megahertz, force licensees to relinquish some or all of their licensed spectrum usage rights in order to permit the assignment of new initial licenses, and extend FCC auction authority until September 30, 2020. Furthermore, it established the Public Safety Interoperable Broadband Network Construction Fund and the Public Safety Interoperable Broadband Network Maintenance and Operation Fund and creates grants to help public safety entities comply.

S. 3756 was referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Should this or similar legislation come before the Senate for a vote, I will be sure to keep your views in mind.

As a fellow Ohioan, I appreciate hearing from you on this issue. Please feel free to contact me again regarding any other issue that may be of concern to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George V. Voinovich". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

George V. Voinovich  
United States Senator

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