



DELAWARE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

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Delaware County 911 Board Meeting Minutes
Delaware County Emergency Management Agency- 10 Court Street-EOC
July 9, 2024 - 1:00

In attendance: Chief Chris Kovach, City Manager Tom Homan, Chief Adam Moore, Trustee Charles Miley, Police Chief Ron Sallows, Chief Marvin McIntire, 911 Director Lauren Yankanin, EMS Director Jeff Fishel, County Administrator Tracie Davies, Chief Deputy Jon Scowden, Nancy Nicodemus, Matt Fletcher, and Brandy Wilson.

Meeting started at 1:01 p.m.

Approval of May 7, 2024 Meeting Minutes

This item has been tabled until the next scheduled meeting.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Director's Report

July 2024, Director's Report

1. Follow up on items previously discussed
 - a. Last week met with Chief Deputy Scowden and Jon Melvin to review the RFQs received for renovation of the 911 center. We ranked the four that were received and Jon will be presenting the recommendation at session.
2. Hiring update:
 - a. We have six open positions and three people who are currently going through their pre-hire process with an expected hire date in November. A fourth declined the offer.
 - b. We have three in training right now who have just transitioned to their call-taking phase.
 - c. Once we get the November group underway, we can start another hiring process. We don't want to get a bunch of people on a waiting list and then lose them to other opportunities.
 - d. We are Promoting Hunter Frey this month, which will fill one of the two supervisory positions. The second open position will remain for now so that we can prioritize the hiring of dispatchers. This will bring us to four supervisors.
3. 911 Program Office Updates:
 - a. NG911 Statewide Deployment update—The data centers in Columbus and Cleveland have 100% of the core systems in.
 - b. The state's government assistance funds have been up by \$3.48 million over four months since the change to how fees are collected on devices, not just wireless phones.
 - i. Ours have increased by almost \$20k. Rough math puts us up around \$200k from our budgeted revenue.
4. Revenues: Tax revenues are up by about \$400k for the same period last year. Revenue for wireless covered above.
5. Expenditures:
 - a. Spending is down from last year right now. However, some encumbrances are coming. We have a +\$200k quote from Vasu for placing our budgeted radio order. I'm working on getting everything together to put that through session.
 - b. Benefits and salary are also down, likely due to our staffing shortage.
 - c. Expenditures on wireless are down and reflected in the lower capital usage this year.

Committee Reports

- a. Administration – Nothing to report on.
- b. Standards Protocol– Nothing to report on.
- c. Technology– Nothing to report on.

Adjourning into Executive Session (if necessary)

There was no need to meet for Executive Session.

New or Other Business

Tom Homan recognized for his career and upcoming retirement with a plaque presented by Chief Kovach.

Mr. Homan discussed the history of the consolidation between 911 and the City of Delaware including the lawsuits that occurred with the Sheriff's office. Mr. Homan talked about the efforts of the Sheriff, City, and County to obtain an agreement regarding consolidation. He also mentioned how far the 911 Board has come since its inception. Additionally, Mr. Homan advocated for true consolidation between 911 and DCSO in the future.

Adjournment

There was a motion made by Chief McIntire and seconded by Mr. Homan to adjourn the meeting at 1:14 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 3, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.