

## Chickasaw County 911 Service Board

April 28, 2022

6:30 p.m.

260 E Prospect St

New Hampton, Iowa 50659

Meeting called to order by Chair Martin Hemann at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call: Bobby Schwickerath, Jimmy Mitchell, Martin Hemann, Amy Laures, Randy Taylor, and Jacob Hackman.

Absent: Samantha Johnson, Mark Muetherthies, Matt Kuhn, Brad Ellison, David Geerts, and Brad Moudry.

Guests: Jeff Bernatz, Stephanie Mashek

Motion by Schwickerath, Second by Laures to approve the agenda for April 28, 2022. Roll Call: All Ayes.  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Taylor, Second by Mitchell to approve the minutes from January 26, 2022. Roll Call: All Ayes.  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, second by Taylor to approve the invoice from Zetron in the amount of \$28,216.49.  
Roll call: Ayes: Schwickerath, Mitchell, Hemann, Laures, Hackman, and Taylor. Motion Carried.

Discussion on having a board member review claims per the advice of the private auditors.

Motion by Mitchell, second by Taylor to have Hemann review the E911 claims and sign off for approval.  
Roll call: Ayes – Schwickerath, Mitchell, Hemann, Laures, Hackman, and Taylor. Motion Carried.

Bernatz provided an update on House File 2436 that pertains to the PSAP equipment and cost incurred to maintain this equipment.

Bernatz provided an update on Senate File 2153 – an act authorizing a local Emergency Management Commission to assume the duties and powers of a Joint 911 Service Board.

ISICS equipment has been passed out except for Lawler Fire and Secondary Roads. Both parties decided on different radios and are awaiting shipment of the new radios. Ship date scheduled for late May.

Bernatz state that the signal on the towers is not making the loop and that is being investigated with Motorola. This effects the radios, and the clarity of sound id poor or lost when inside buildings.

Bernatz met with BarCom to discuss the cameras. He is working on obtaining more quotes for cameras.

Jim Ashley present at 6:40pm



Bernatz discussed the new county website.

Bernatz stated that at the last meeting, goals were asked of him. Goals include continuing to develop a long-term plan to update and maintain technology, have a better relationship with PSAPs in the surrounding areas and promote two-way exchange of practices, track expenses that pertain to specifically operating the PSAP, updating the by-laws, promote and support the ISICS system, and attend other emergency services meetings to understand their agencies.

Hackman asked for an update on the signed contracts for the communications equipment. Bernatz stated that Kuhn and he were splitting those agreements to obtain them from each entity.

Hackman asked if there was an update on potential sites for future communications tower sites. Bernatz said progress is being made in Nashua and the site at Lawler has been reviewed. Additional information needs to be gathered to make an informed decision.

Hemann asked about the weeds at the anchor tower site. Bernatz stated that Larsen Landscaping has been hired to maintain the weeds.

Hackman asked about the tower located at the Sheriff's department. Bernatz stated that the tower at the PSAP will still be used to transmit via microwave from the PSAP to the Anchor site.

Taylor stated they got a page for a call at 270<sup>th</sup>/Kenwood Ave and was unsure if that should have been their page. Bernatz addressed that there are maps to go off of and this could have just been human error. Cathy Knutson is going into the system mile by mile to enter who is primary, secondary, and so on.

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Bernatz stated that the National Weather Service will not request storm spotters after dark and walked through how it would be handled in the future.

Motion by Schwickerath, Second by Laures to adjourn at 7:04 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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Stephanie Mashek  
911SB Secretary