

Chickasaw County 911 Service Board  
September 28, 2022  
6:30 p.m.  
260 E Prospect St  
New Hampton, Iowa 50659

Meeting called to order by Chair Hemann.

Roll Call: Martin Hemann, Amy Laures, Matt Kuhn, Bobby Schwickerath, Derek Day, James Mitchell

Absent: Samantha Johnson, Brad Ellison, David Geerts, and Brad Moudry.

Guests: Jeff Bernatz

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

Motion by Day, second by Schwickerath to approve the minutes from April 28, 2022. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Mitchell, second by Schwickerath to have Kuhn co-sign all 911SB claims. Roll call: Ayes: Hemann, Laures, Kuhn, Schwickerath, Day, and Mitchell. Motion Carried.

Motion by Kuhn, second by Day to have the quarterly 911 SB meetings on the second Wednesday of the quarter month. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Bernatz gave Director update as follows:

Radio Project

- a. All installs are completed
- b. All subscriber equipment has been delivered to the end users.
- c. A survey has been sent out to all end user to document any issues that needs to be addressed before Director signs off on the project. Survey results will be given to ComTec to correct before signing off on project.

Tower Project

- a. Continue to work on relocating the communication towers in Lawler and Nahua.
- b. Working with RFCC Consulting on this project.
- c. Fiber connection is a concern.
  - i. Cost of \$25,000/mi to extend fiber lines.
- d. Land acquisition
  - i. County Attorney has a purchase agreement drawn up for the purchase of land in Nashua subject to the approval of the Special Building Permit.
  - ii. Other locations for the Lawler tower site are being evaluated.
- e. Nashua Special Building Permit
  - i. Did have a Special Building Permit approved by the City of Nashua, but upon further review, the County Attorney noticed that the City of Nashua did not follow the correct procedure for said permit and asked them to redo it.
  - ii. A public hearing will be set.
  - iii. All landowners within 300 feet of the tower will be notified by mail.
- f. Lawler Tower Site

- i. Location still to be determined.
  - ii. Distance for fiber is over two miles.
  - iii. The County Shop in Lawler does not have enough room to house a tower with the garage and sewer.
- g. Camera Project
  - i. Vendor and Plan have been chosen.
  - ii. Down payment was required and has been approved for payment.
- h. Used VHF Equipment
  - i. Director requested permission to sell the used VHF equipment.
  - ii. Have a few vendors interested in purchasing the used VHF equipment.
  - iii. Mitchell requested to ask vendor if leaving the old VHF equipment in place at the Anchor site could help with interoperability with neighboring counties that have not joined ISICS yet.

#### 911 Directors

- a. Region 2 911 Directors are scheduled to meet quarterly but have been meeting more often due to issues with billing from multiple telephone companies.
- b. Chickasaw is assisting in this investigation but our invoices are within range and consistent. Some counties receiving bills of over \$5,000.
- c. Homeland Security is involved to determine if legal action may necessary.

#### MTUG

- a. Chickasaw County hosted the Iowa Motorola Trunked User Group meeting on September 21, 2022 at a0:00 am at the Pinicon.
- b. This meeting is open to all ISICS users and we had 55 attendees from all over the state.
- c. Topics of discussion included:
  - i. Pursuits
  - ii. Multiple department mutual aid
  - iii. Talk Group escalation – when to go to regional or statewide TAC
  - iv. Governor’s School Safety Survey and Radio Program
    - 1. All school districts in Chickasaw County will be getting Motorola base radios for their buildings.
  - v. Ability to remotely disable a radio if lost or stolen
  - vi. Air to Ground communications
    - 1. Currently there is not a dedicated TG for Air to Ground Communications.
    - 2. When our dispatchers request a helicopter, they will tell their dispatch which TAC we are using.

Motion by Mitchell, second by Schwickerath to adjourn. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

  
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Jeff Bernatz for  
Sheila Shekleton  
911SB Secretary