



SOUTH DAKOTA 9-1-1 COORDINATION BOARD
MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 7TH, 2024 AT 1000
VIA TEAMS

Board Members Present: Boyd, Bryan, DeNeui, Olson, Serr, Sutton, Tooley and Wollmann.

Board Members Absent: Toomey and Leon were excused.

Staff Present: Jason Husby, State 9-1-1 Coordinator, Arin Diedrich (DPS), Dan Lusk (DPS),

Others Present: April Denholm (Lake County), Steve McMillin (Custer County), Troy VanDusen (Watertown).

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM Central Time by DeNeui. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Correction on the Agenda as House Bill 1092 is now in version "G." Agenda was corrected to reflect the correct bill Version.

Moved by: Sutton Seconded by: Wollmann

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the December 14, 2023, meeting minutes as presented. Sheriff Kelly Serr made correction to the un-approved on page 2, paragraph 6 to read: *Serr said they discussed the recent summer study regarding county general fund expenses and ways the state could help them.* DeNeui recalls the conversation as corrected by Serr and the correction was made.

Moved by: Sutton Seconded by: Serr

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Condition Statement and Status Report

Husby provided copies of the most recent Condition Statement and Collections Report as informational documents to the Board. Noted to board that the overall 911 Coordination Fund has been running in the negative. That is primarily due to the PSAP grants being paid out for projects that were approved by the board. DeNeui noted the funding source for the grants was the lawsuit that was paid out from the prior 911 Vendor and shown on the condition statement under Revenue (ComTech Settlement) at \$3,450,000.

A. PSAP Grant status

Husby gave an update on the PSAP Grant status for the PSAP's from the ComTech Settlement. There is currently \$825,293 remaining in the grant balance. Two PSAP's with more of the remaining balance. Metro due to their move and then transition to the City of Sioux Falls. Oglala PSAP is currently working on a grant modification request as Yankton supplied them with some free equipment that was in their original grant. Union County recently submitted a reimbursement request as they had been waiting on radios from Motorola. Their recent reimbursement was for \$59,332.64.

B. Pennington County VIPER laptop request

Husby advised he's been working with Pennington County ESCC who has requesting a laptop which would function as a MECH Position. Meade and Yankton Counties currently have this and it can also be used as a mobile type MECH position for 911 call answering and can be used as more of a mobile platform in case there were incidents where the PSAP would need to relocate. Pennington currently has the Meade laptop but we need to conduct a longer term, more in depth test and have redundancy at Meade County. Would like to procure the laptop and have Pennington County do significant testing on its capabilities. This laptop would provide us another redundancy solution in several PSAP's who do not have a back up center currently. Statewide we are also due for an equipment refresh beginning next year and this may be an option for backup MECH positions. Pennington County would incur the hardware costs of approximately \$7,200 and State 911 Coordination would pay the increased monthly re-occurring costs of about \$1,000 per month.

DeNeui: How does the purchase work on the equipment refresh. Does the state purchases the laptop and re-occurring costs or does the PSAP purchase the equipment like this example. Husby advised the equipment refresh is part of the contract, the state pays each month, with the MECH. The PSAP's would not be responsible to buy the equipment on an equipment refresh which occurs every 5 years.

Husby: the goal would be Pennington County completes significant testing with the laptop prior coming back to the board with this as an option for increased redundancy or using at backup positions.

Body: With the equipment refresh and MECH positions typically fixed would we look at laptops instead with the refresh? What is the cost difference between a fixed MECH position and a laptop MECH position.

Husby: feels we should do testing with the laptop to determine true functionality and Pennington would provide that feedback. Husby checked some prior quotes an a laptop position costs approximately \$6,900 and a fixed position is approximately \$7,200 with similar monthly re-occurring costs.

Tooley: Replacing 100% of backups with laptops may be difficult due to functionality and radios along with other technology tied to MECH position. Laptops may have an application that would be fine.

DeNeui: Appreciates Pennington County willing to complete the testing on this.

Olson: PSAP laptop placed with people in variety of positions and could bring it to the backup center or use from other locations for a quicker response if needed.

Serr: Had similar thoughts as Boyd and Tooley. Concern is supporting Pennington County to see what they can do. We've also invested a lot of money. Is there an option to have a hybrid solution on this such as back up center has the laptops with the laptops answering calls and functions of the radio? Could create more

cost we should make sure we have good answers to make sure this is a good business decision. Tooley had additional discussion on the integration and insuring CAD and other programs are still functional.

Olson: Pennington has been researching laptop use and there are several examples of using this to help flexibility for staffing problems as well as integrating into the backup center. It can also be a hiring tool for remote work during high call volume times that also helps with call answer times. Denver's large PSAP is using the laptops extensively and even from other states to help answer calls.

Husby advised he is aware of and is sensitive to adding positions as well. Sees laptop as Serr explained with a hybrid. Also feels we need to look at redundancy for some PSAP's who cover large areas and do not have back up centers.

Boyd: Thanked Olson and Tooley for knowledge on subject. May be a good redundancy. Serr thought the possibility to increase the ability to share workload and have PSAP's assisting each other. DeNeui clarified this would be a 5 year addition to the contract and Husby advised that is correct.

Motion to approve monthly re-occurring costs associated with MECH position VIPER laptop for use and testing by Pennington County ESCC.

Moved by: Tooley Seconded by: Boyd
Discussion: None
Vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Lawrence County PSAP circuits

Husby advised that Lawrence County is currently building a new PSAP that should go live in October of 2024. With that 911 Coordination Fund covers costs of network to the PSAP's. In this case Husby is looking for approval to spend an additional \$2,000 for one month so the "old" Lawrence County PSAP remains online through current network connections and their "new" center is also on-line for testing by our Lumen and Intrado technicians in addition to Lawrence County's staff. Without circuits going into to both the old and new PSAP's we would have to do a "hot" changeover which would not allow technicians time to complete testing and resolve issues.

Tooley: commented his PSAP just completed a move and he felt there is no way you can cut the old PSAP off. This would cause problems.

Motion to approve payment for additional circuits for Lawrence County PSAP during transition month.

Moved by: Tooley Seconded by: Wollmann
Discussion: None
Vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Minnesota/South Dakota call transfer update

Husby provided an update on the project/MOU regarding interstate call transfers form South Dakota to Minnesota and vice versa. The location data is still not transferring correctly. Minnesota and South Dakota 911 Coordinators are working with their vendors to correct this issue. Will have additional updates on this project in the future.

E. GIS Update

Husby advised several counties are submitting GIS data and he is getting closer to being able to incentivize counties who are submitting data in addition to resources for rural counties who do not have specific GIS personnel. The board has previously approved a budget for this program. Husby is learning some rural counties have not submitted data for about 2 years and cleanup and GIS services for those counties may be more expensive. He is working on those numbers now and will have more information at the next meeting. GIS is the last step to have us i3 spatial routing on the NG911 system.

VI. Other Business

A. HB 1092G Update

Agenda will need to be updated to reflect the current amendment which is House Bill 1092G which is the current version.

Husby advised the bill does have a sunset of June 2026. It changes some time frames on financial reporting by the counties, cities and PSAP's. From a DPS perspective we're already gathering data for this via the financial reports now and eventually into the 911 Coordination Board's Annual Report. Husby asked Deputy Secretary Lusk to provide a summary of the process. Lusk advised HB 1092G has been signed by both the house and senate. The bill will be moving over to the Governor.

DeNeui wanted to thank all of the PSAP's that reached out and brought the bill to the attention of their local legislators.

Serr had questions and check with legal counsel on details regarding the sunset portion of the bill. Based on his conversations the sunset does away with the surcharge completely. Husby also feels it is ambiguous and reads it the same way as Serr. Lusk pointed out the authoring of the bill and that in Section 4 it does say Section 1 expires in June of 2026 which is the surcharge. Wollmann agrees with Serr and would like to keep on this topic. DeNeui feels the new reporting requirements will allow us to stay on top of the amounts and draft recommendations for better reporting to GOAC. Sutton would also like to prioritize this for next session. Also asked if we're aware if the Governor will sign or veto. DeNeui advised based on conversations she's had in Pierre she does not think a veto is likely and there has been good compromise regarding this bill.

B. Admin Rule Review

Husby advised that Maria King had started a committee of PSAP Directors regarding an initial look at the current Admin Rules regarding PSAP's (50:02:04). They went through the rules and now would like the board to review the Admin Rules in case there are updates needed.

DeNeui asked about current subcommittees with the 911 Coordination Board. We need to update those with new people on the board. As we look at our Admin Rules we also need to be sure of compliance with Federal Rules regarding allowable expenditures of 911 funds. Need to re-enact subcommittees and then work to assign the rules for review.

Serr would like Husby to gather historical data. Feels we should table this in order to gather information regarding sub committees and information.

Lusk gave an overview of the process regarding updating Admin Rules.

Bryan made a motion to table this item pending subcommittee information and historical information.

Moved by: Bryan Seconded by: Sutton

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

C. 911 Annual financial report by counties and PSAP's

Husby: Informational item for the Board. The reporting period for counties, cities and PSAP's is currently open. Several have already submitted reports and it is open until March 31st. Husby will be working with those involved to be sure reporting is completed which is then used to generate the annual report.

VII. Public Comment

No public comments were made.

VIII. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Sutton Seconded by: Wollmann

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 AM Central Time.