

COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the February 4, 1998 Meeting

The Communications Advisory Board Committee was convened in open and public session on February 4, 1998, at 5:30 PM, in the Sarpy County Board Room. The following members or alternates were present: Travis Mayer, Steve Betts, Dan Gable, Dan Hoins, Tom Koksall, Les McCubbin, John Kucer, Mark Wayne, Louie Post
Absent: S. P. Benson, Mark Stoddard, and Guy Tramp.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Bellevue Leader and the Papillion Times. Copies of the Proofs of Publication are on file in the Sarpy County Clerk's Office. All proceedings were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayer moved, seconded by Betts to approve the minutes of the December 3, 1997 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Dan Peterson gave the Director's Report: System performance: emergency button and scan fixes have been applied successfully. MDC/ATIA Status: AMT has delivered a timeline promising MDC operation by May, but offered no information on ATIA. Personnel: Two dispatcher trainees completed training in mid-December and one in mid-January, bringing staffing levels to 26 out of the authorized 28. Applicants were screened this week. A veteran dispatcher may resign in March. Therefore, three dispatcher trainees will be hired in mid-February. Omaha PD Helicopter: Elliott Aviation, which will install the helicopter radios, indicates that racks and harnesses will cost \$7500. When an appropriate radio is identified, the total project cost will be relayed to law enforcement agencies. Monopole: The microwave dish has been installed on the Courthouse tower to provide high-speed data communications with the Highway Department. It will not interfere with the current system. Jail: The Jail switched to 800 MHz last month. As predicted at system bid, these radios do not work satisfactorily in the jail. The Sheriff's Office has been notified that a signal strength test should be contracted by them to determine how best to deal with this issue. Information Systems Support: On February 3, 1998 Peterson declared an emergency situation as a result of the inability of the Information Systems (IS) Department to support our critical public safety requirements. The personnel situation was described and affected systems were listed. The Sarpy County Board has been asked to take whatever measures are necessary to resolve this public safety emergency situation.

The NSP-800 MHz Subcommittee has not met. Kucer will replace DeLaCastro on this subcommittee.

New Business: Hoins asked for clarification of the IS emergency situation, and asked how the Advisory Board might help. Wayne reviewed the legal history, and schedule for possible remedy.

After determining the agenda for the April 1, 1998 meeting, Hoins moved, seconded by Betts, to adjourn at 5:49 P.M. Motion passed unanimously.