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Minutes of the Meeting
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD
November 5, 2008

The Communications Advisory Board Committee was convened in open and public session on November 5, 2008 at 5:08 pm, in the Sarpy County Conference Room B. The following members or alternates were present: Pat Archibald, Travis Mayer, Kevin Pokorny, Rolly Yost, Leonard Houloose, John Stacey, Mark Wayne, Steve Betts, and Douglas Thomsen.

Mayer moved, seconded by Pokorny to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2008 meeting after two minor changes were made. Motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report: Lavelle reported that the hiring process of one full time and one part time dispatcher concluded today. Offers will be extend tomorrow with a start date of December 1, 2008.

The use of the 800 MHz radio system by the NRD is now in the hands of the county administration. There has been some concern shown by the NRD in regards to fees.

Lavelle reported that the tour taken by Colonel Jordan from Offutt went well. Positive feedback was received in regards to interoperability with Offutt units to our responders.

Lavelle reported the breakdown of funds to each agency in regards to the PSIC grant. He advised there are ongoing discussions in regards to who will be the purchasing agent for this project as well as a need for a new agreement drawn up between the users and Douglas County. He mentioned there will be fees involved for using Douglas' High Performance Data system.

The last draft of the interlocal agreement is in the hands of the Sarpy County Attorney for review. The county attorney is also looking at a ruling in regards to the retention of 9-1-1 calls as the center researches new recording equipment.

A site has been chosen for a new 9-1-1 center and EOC near the Sarpy County Highway Department at 84th & Platteview. Site preparation work should begin in the spring of 2009.

Subcommittee Reports: Rolly Yost advised that the radio group has had two meetings. Neil Johnson advised that Motorola is going to give the group options on where the county should go on their radio system for the future. He advised that Motorola just signed a contract with the State of Nebraska for their radio project and that Pottawattamie County Iowa is also working with our local Motorola representatives on their new radio system. Neil advised would try and pin them down on what their recommendations will be for Sarpy County. Rolly advised the group they would not be holding any more subcommittee meetings on this subject until Motorola gives us quotes.

Neil also advised the group that part of our current system is now unsupported and parts unavailable. He reported that he and Jim Tracy had been working today on the countywide simulcast fire paging system at LaVista. They installed a new GPS synchronizing clock and explained with the new base station at LaVista that all transmitters will be activated when fire paging is done for better coverage.

John Prince advised that FRMS has been upgraded however, there are issues with transferring data to the state. OFD is having same issue. Codespear interface with CAD is working, just waiting for Emergency Management personnel to proceed with project.

Emergency Management: Lavelle announced that the position of Emergency Management Specialist has been filled by Roseann Dobesh-DeGraff who currently works for Cass County Emergency Management. She will start on December 1, 2008. Emergency Management Manager position was offered to a State of Nebraska Emergency Management employee. Should have answer today on acceptance.

Motion made by Mayer, seconded by Yost to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 pm.