MASON-OCEANA 911 BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 15, 2025

PRESENT:	Kim Cole	Laude Hartrum	Craig Mast
	Brad Fritcher	Jim Herrema	Tim Beggs
	Jody Hartley	Chris Jones	Randy Jordan

ABSENT: Dale Goodrich and Troy Maloney

STAFF: Ray Hasil
Todd Myers
Chris Ernst
Connie Blaauw

GUEST/CITIZENS: None

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Chairman Mast at 10:03 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda was presented as part of the Board packet.

Motion by Hartrum and supported by Cole to approve the agenda. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:
November 2024 minutes were presented as part of the Board packet.

Motion by Herrema and supported by Fritcher to approve the November minutes. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Hartley presented the Treasurer's report for December 31, 2024.
Total Revenues – December 31, 2024: $59,911.17
Total Expenditures – December 31, 2024: $372,891.94
Fund Balance as of – December 31, 2024 $1,485,853.73

Motion by Jones and supported by Cole to accept the Treasurer's report and approve the payment of claims for January 2025 in the amount of $1,.085.55. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE MEETING: None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
Personnel
- Our part-time employee in training is progressing very well and will soon complete step 2.

Collaboration Projects
- **Lake County CAD collaboration (Todd)-** on schedule to go live in fall 2025. Ray, Todd & Chris met with the Lake Co 911 Director and Deputy Director in December to discuss the project status. The Lake County payment for adding them to CAD was received in December.
- **CentralSquare Unify (CAD2CAD)-** budgeted for 2025, awaiting Life EMS decision.
- **Mid Mitt Viper Multinode (Todd)-** equipment has started to arrive.
- **School Safety Incidents (Chris)-** 911 hosted a two-county stakeholders meeting on November 26, 911 spearheaded a meeting that introduced changes to how information on school safety events will be shared with law enforcement and school stakeholders. Ray, Todd and Chris attended the January 8 Mason Co School Safety meeting for feedback regarding how well SSI was working. There was a lively, hour-long

discussion that focused on a number of topics. Ray sent an update e-mail to all SSI notification list members from both counties that updated stakeholders on the discussions of the SSI effectiveness.

- **Cybersecurity Grant (Todd)-** 911 applied for grant funding that will migrate our mason-oceana911.org website and e-mail to a new .gov domain and e-mail. There are numerous security features that come with a .gov and this type of project is one of the sixteen recommended element examples that the SLCGP (State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program) will fund.

Radio Communications Updates

- **Encryption on Law Enforcement Talkgroups (Ray/Chris)-** in late December, a "Notice to Encrypt" e-mail was shared with all law enforcement partners that border Mason and Oceana Counties. The notice explains the planned migration, including high-level Q&A about how the migration could affect their agencies. Instructions for contacting Mason-Oceana 911 for questions, and how to request MOU's for the new talkgroups were also provided. To date, there have been no inquiries. We recently discovered an issue with recording encrypted radio traffic and are taking steps to fix the problem. Mason County SO vehicle installations are complete (or nearly complete).
- **Channel Markers-** 911 has started using radio "channel markers ". A channel marker is an audible over-the-air beep that 911 activates when radio transmissions should be limited to emergency radio transmissions only. When the situation allows, the beep is removed and normal radio transmissions may resume.

Other Updates

- **NICE Radio & Telephone Recorder (Todd)-** the 5-year NICE recording system update began in December and will be completed sometime in the first quarter of 2025.
- **Parking Lot Paving-** $90,000 is budgeted for paving our worn parking lots. We will be reaching out for quotes sooner than later so we are ready to pave in late spring or early summer.

OLD BUSINESS:
988 discussion - place holder, no update.

NEW BUSINESS:
Employees request for all of 2025 HSA funds to be released.

Motion by Hartley and supported by Fritcher to release all of 2025 HSA funds for the three-employees that made a request. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

Surcharge renewal in both Counties.
Hasil requested the Board to approve the surcharge renewal in both Counties to remain at $2.09 for 2025, followed by a motion.

Motion by Hartley and supported by Hartrum the surcharge renewal in both Counties to remain at $2.09 for 2025. Roll call vote was taken: Cole, yea; Fritcher, yea; Beggs, yea; Hartley, yea; Hartrum, yea; Herrema, yea; Jones, yea; Randy Jordan and Mast, yea. Motion Carried.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 am.

NEXT SCHEDULED meeting will be February 19, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mason-Oceana 911 Conference room, located at 9160 N. Oceana Drive, Pentwater.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Blaauw,
Secretary

Approved: 2/19/2025