

**MASON-OCEANA 911 BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 13, 2019**

PRESENT: Matt Bryant Kevin Walk
 Kim Cole Bob Walker
 Greg Frick Jeff White
 Craig Mast

ABSENT: Mark Barnett, Jim Duram, Laude Hartrum and Wally Taranko

STAFF: Ray Hasil
 Todd Myers
 Connie Blaauw

GUEST: None

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Cole at 10:07 a.m.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Brian Hintz

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda was presented as part of the Board packet. Walker asked to add Oceana County Medical Examiners to New Business. Frick requested to add Colfax Township to Old Business.

Motion by Mast and supported by Walker to approve the agenda with the additions noted above. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: February Board minutes were presented within the Board packet. Walk stated that there is an error on page three of the previous minutes, it shows a Motion made by Mason. The previous Board minutes were referenced and the Motion was made by Mast. That correction will be made to the February minutes.

Motion by Walk and supported by Bryant to accept the February 13, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes with the correction noted above. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Walker presented the Treasurer's report for February 28, 2019.

Total Revenues: \$153,015.33

Total Expenditures: \$ 86,542.54

Fund Balance as of February 28, 2019: \$936,991.62

Walker stated that in past meetings we discussed a long-term plan to be drawn up and presented to both County Boards. Hasil stated he will have that report ready for our next meeting. Hasil also reported on the interest earned on our investment accounts during 2018 and year to date for 2019. Hasil asked the Board to consider moving \$200,000. from our Fifth Third account into a CD. Walker stated with the Board's approval, he would agree that is a good idea.

Motion by Frick to move \$200,000. from our Fifth Third Bank account into a new one-year CD.

Approved: 4/10/19

A discussion was held, Blaauw stated that Fifth Third Bank is currently offering an 18-month CD at 2.5%. Walker asked if Frick would consider changing his motion to state, not to exceed 18 months. Frick agreed to amend his motion. Walker stated the decision as to which financial institution to go with can be determined by the Director, Treasurer and Chairman.

Motion by Frick and supported by Mast to move \$200,000. from our Fifth Third Bank account to a CD with the term not to exceed 18 months. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Personnel

- Advertisements for a part-time hire have yielded just 4 applications, 2 of which were selected for interviews tomorrow.

Collaboration Projects

- SIP cuts- our final legacy connection, Frontier, is scheduled to be cut today. This brings our move to a NG911 capable network complete.
- Mid Mitt- Clare is expected to sign the intergov. on March 20. We will immediately engage with our legal counsel to make some changes to the intergov. Lake County is ready to sign on as soon as possible.
- Newaygo Co 7500 IP Logger Share- we are working with Newaygo Co and Word Systems to engineer the sharing of Mason-Oceana's NICE Radio IP Logger.
- Nixle/Code Red- an agreement has been provided to Oceana Co for signatures.
- Future collaboration- we are exploring opportunities to collaborate with both counties on projects that improve communications with public safety's response to incidents.

Other Updates

- LEIN TAC and worksheet training- 911 conducted a 2-hour class on March 7 at MCSO. 3 new LEIN entry worksheets were presented and the training seemed to be received very well.
- Central Square Expo- Ray and Todd are attending the expo March 17-20 in San Antonio.
- New Firewall/IDS- the new firewall was installed on 2/27 with just a few small hiccups. The new device includes 'intrusion detection', also known as IDS monitoring.
- VHF Paging- we continue to work with our radio vendor on determining whether or not our use of wideband paging frequencies falls within the FCC's acceptable use.
- ONESolution MCT- Todd continues to deploy the new software to agencies.
- Mic Fee Credits- a balance of approximately \$185,000 will expire on 10/1/19.
- 911 Plan Update- we will begin this process after our Frontier cut on 3/13
- Star Hill TTA- funding was approved and one of the two amps has already been received by MPSCS.
- Future radio projects- Ray had a conference call with MPSCS on 2/27 and MPSCS is working on studies and estimates to improve reliability and coverage in the two-county area. Addition of TTA's to all area towers, connecting Bucks Corner site to Ludington, and covering Hamlin area from the Ludington are being explored.
- Console Upgrades- we have an initial quote with Xybix will engage with a couple other companies for quotes.
- Security cameras- all of 911's old security cameras were replaced last week. Todd is working through tweaks but we are happy to have parking lot visibility again. Tower cams will be installed when weather permits.

- MERS- a reduction from 7.75% to 7.35% in long-term investment returns and a wage inflation reduction from 3.75% to 3.00% were announced and will go into effect in 2021. We will have more information when our annual actuarial valuation report is released later this year.
- 911 Millage- a renewal would need to be on the August 2020 ballot. Language is due 4PM on Friday, May 15, 2020. To meet the May deadline, it needs to go through county board approvals so we need to be looking for a January 15, 2020 911 Board approval for it to be to the County Boards by February 2020 and to the Clerk offices by March/April 2020.

OLD BUSINESS:

Frick stated that Colfax Township signed a 5-year contract for Fire Dept. Services with Walkerville Area Fire & Rescue.

NEW BUSINESS:

Request for HSA funds to be released for the remainder of the year for three employees.

Motion by Mast and supported by Frick to release HSA funds for the remainder of 2019 to the three employees that made the request. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

Hasil stated that Oceana County Commissioners have chosen Jim Duram as the EMS representative for the 911 Board. Hasil asked Walker to have the County formally appoint an alternative. Walker stated they have a meeting tomorrow and they will discuss it then.

Walker gave an update on Oceana County's Medical Examiner program. A morgue was built in Big Rapids with a CGAP grant to Mecosta County. They will receive their pathology reports faster while saving money.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED meeting will be April 17th, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mason-Oceana 911 Conference room, located at 9160 N. Oceana Drive, Pentwater.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Blaauw, Secretary