

911 COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

March 15, 2017

Chief Deputy Barrington-Tillman called the meeting of the 911 Commission to order at 2:06 p.m. on March 15, 2017.

Members present: Chief Deputy Barbara Barrington-Tillman, Rock County Sheriff's Office Alternate; Deputy Chief John Olsen, Janesville Police Department Alternate; Deputy Chief Bill Ruchti, Janesville Fire Department Alternate; Chief Scott Marquardt, Milton Police Department; Chief Dave Zibolski, Beloit Police Department

Members Not Present:; Chief David Butzler, Footville Fire Department; Chief Tim Huffman, Town of Turtle Fire Department; Chief Brad Liggett, Beloit Fire Department; Sheriff Robert Spoden, Rock County Sheriff; Chief Randy Banker, Janesville Fire Department; Chief Ron Northrop, Town of Beloit Police Department; Chief David Moore, Janesville Police Department

Others present: Kathy Sukus & Brian Becker, Rock County Communications Center; Dara Mosley, Rock County IT

1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

Chief Deputy Barrington-Tillman called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. Motion by Ruchti to approve agenda. Second by Zibolski.

2. Minutes – January 18, 2017

Motion by Zibolski to approve minutes as written. Second by Marquardt. January 18, 2017 minutes approved as written.

3. Comments from the Public – No public present.

4. IT Updates

Mosley provided an update on the transition from UCR to IBR. There will be training hosted by the State in Waukesha in April aimed towards the records people. Mosley said plans are to have Spillman come to Rock County for training in May since Rock County is a pilot site.

IT has been working on a system with Janesville Police for Evidence Based Decision Making. The goal is to identify subjects with confirmed mental/behavioral health issues that may have calming solutions that would affect how officers respond to them. Janesville PD and IT are working together to come up with the best way in Spillman to get this information to officers.

5. Policy Updates

a.)O2 – Organizational Integrity

Policy update to clean up wording to reflect the elimination of the Lead Telecommunicator (LTC) position at the Communications Center. Motion to accept the policy changes as written by Zibolski. Second by Olsen. Policy changes approved.

6. 9-1-1 Goes to Washington conference & Next Generation 911 - Update
Sukus recently attended the NENA conference in Washington D.C. During that time, a draft bill on Next Generation 911 infrastructure funding was introduced. She noted 911 lines are still on 1960s technology and telephone companies have said they'll be fully digital by 2020 and the old technology will be very costly to maintain after that point. While in D.C., she visited House Speaker Paul Ryan's office and Senator Ron Johnson's office to speak about this. A representative from Representative Mark Pocan's office is coming for a tour tomorrow. Sukus stated before funds are available from such a bill, the State needs to form a Board to act as a point of contact, which is also currently being worked on and legislation is forthcoming for that as well.

7. Informational Items & Updates

a.) Backup Frequency Project - Update

Sukus stated the frequency coordinator has received the letters of concurrence for the transmit frequencies, but they will need letters of concurrence for the receive frequencies, mainly because they're on a WISCOM tower. General Communications doesn't expect approval for these until summer. As soon as all of the frequencies have been approved by the FCC, Sukus will get those out to all agencies & the radio vendors.

b.) 911 Address Ordinance Amendment

Sukus stated the County Board will be considering changes to the county ordinance to require all towns to replace old fire number signs to the new, larger perpendicular signs. Some towns have already done this, but several others will have to have their residents' signs replaced. She expects something about that to be in the news soon.

c.) Badger Sheriff Association Statewide Notification Workgroup

The Badger Sheriff's Association recently did a statewide survey on how 911/Dispatch Centers prefer to communicate with each other. They are working on developing statewide/area alerts for critical safety information for both on & off duty law enforcement officers. The alerts would only be for the most serious incidents, such as officer involved shooting suspects, so that information is shared as soon as possible. They would almost be like Amber/Silver alerts, but only broadcast to confirmed law officers. More work has to be done to determine standards and which system(s) would be used. Right now they are looking at the TIME System (since most centers stated this is the best way) and the Wisconsin Crime Alert system. Sukus will keep agencies updated as more progress is made, but the Badger Sheriff's Association said they would be sharing their ideas with the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association so she wanted to make sure everyone was aware.

d.) Telecommunicator Week 4/9 – 4/15/17

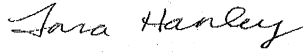
Telecommunicator Week is 4/9-4/15 and the resolution will be presented to County Board on 3/23.

8. Adjournment

Deputy Chief Ruchti moved to adjourn the Commission meeting. Second by Chief Zibolski. Meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Next Meeting – May 17, 2017

Respectfully Submitted,



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