

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

## July 18, 2024

## CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the 911 Emergency Telephone System Board held on Thursday, July 18, 2024 in Randolph County Boardroom. Chairman Bobby Helmers called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

# ROLL CALL

Board members present: Bobby Helmers

Mark Prange Chad Langerhr Lyn Thies Kelli Wright Chuck Kelley Sean Lukes Jarrod Peters Marc Kiehna

Board members absent:

Others present: Cindy Wagner, 911 Administrator

Sherry Craig, 911 Secretary

Daniel Niemeyer, Randolph County Sheriff's Office

# **MINUTES**

After a review of the minutes from June 13, 2024 by the Emergency Telephone System Board, Chairman Bobby Helmers asked if there were any questions or concerns. Bobby Helmers asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Sheriff Peters moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Marc Kiehna.

#### **BILLS**

After a review of the bills by the Emergency Telephone System Board, Chairman Bobby Helmers asked if there were any questions or concerns. Lyn Thies moved to approve the bills, seconded by Mark Prange. Roll call vote: Yeas: Bobby Helmers, Mark Prange, Chad Langerhr, Lyn Thies, Kelli Wright, Chuck Kelley, Sean Lukes, Sheriff Peters and Marc Kiehna. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

#### BUDGET

NG 911 Expenses Grant \$6,810.00 was received completing the last payment of \$14,310.00 for GIS Services. GIS Services payment of \$5,500.00 came out. The \$650.00 difference from the Randolph County 911 bank statements and Randolph County 911 summary report should be finally cleared and credited next month per Ashley P. This was a check not received and cancelled. Justin Jeffers, Randolph County Treasurer introduced Dawn Durbin to all the offices. She will be responsible for Randolph County 911 transactions. Cindy will meet with her regarding monthly reports and Illinois Fund.

## SPARTA PD CELLPHONE

Sparta PD cellphone has been received and should be at the PSAP soon.

## RADIO COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

Lyn stated the radio system is out for bid. Bids should be received by July 31, 2024. The Randolph County Government will cover the radio system and Randolph County 911 will reimburse. Cindy said Randolph County 911 would reimburse the portion pertaining to 911 centers.

## WASHINGTON COUNTY

Randolph County 911's shared agreement with Washington County 911 will be 5 years in 2025. Cindy briefed how the Randolph/Washington system functioned. A grant was attained to cover the cost. The systems back each other up. Washington County has a new ETSB Chairman, who Cindy has spoken with regarding the agreement expiring in November 2025. They will be speaking with INdigital regarding options for a "refresh" or new 911 equipment. Washington County is not online with RapidSOS mapping system; they have the web base system. Lyn stated Randolph County needs a backup. An option to assist with contacting Washington could be a cell phone in the PSAP or connecting through Starcom radio. Contacting Washington County was an issue a while back when their phone system and 911 was down.

## INDIGITAL

INdigital was granted the contract for Missouri statewide network. Cindy has spoken with Curt Wolfenberger, INdigital Tech regarding the connection to Kaskaskia Island. Curt assured Cindy it would be better with the network. They will be able to manage call routing from the Island more effectively using Geo-routing.

## **VISTRA ENERGY**

Scott VanAllen with Vistra Energy emailed their site would be remotely monitored 24 hours a day. He is requesting a telephone number should they need emergency response.

Marc explained about the Baldwin and Percy sites and stated starting this Monday the Tilden Solar project will begin.

### FIRE SOP

Red Bud Fire and Rocher Fire SOP dispatching needs change to Starcom. Daniel will get the 911 Office the new dispatching for the SOPs.

#### **FY 25 GRANT**

Cindy put in for the FY 25 Grant at \$123,192.00. Requests for school mapping at \$99,192.00 and GIS Services \$24,000.00. Cindy received a preliminary email stated Randolph County 911 could receive 85% possibly more. The Hubtech bid proposed will be added to next month's agenda. This should be continuing service; however, it would be up to the ETSB to go out for bid. Cindy asked Hubtech regarding maintenance. He mentioned every few years checking with the school for changes. Cindy stated this is a file/layer on the map. Sherry stated Randolph County map currently has digitally Chester High School and Chester Grade School floor plans. All other Randolph County schools are paper. Peter is able to walk through the schools with his camera to create a 3D image for the map. Mark asked about Officers having access to these maps in their cars. Sheriff Peters stated they have Lawman in their cars with the hand drawn school maps; however, Chester has given access to their cameras. Daniel stated the dispatchers could be searching and telling the Officers the route. Sheriff Peters would like to look further into the proposal. Cindy stated we've received a grant. Chuck asked if this was specifically for schools. Cindy said yes, it's part of the grant. Cindy will get with Hubtech to give a demo at a further meeting.

#### **FARM BUREAU**

Cindy attended the Farm Bureau meeting, giving an update on Randolph County 911.

#### 911 RULES

New requirements could be sending inventory of PSAPS and budgetary items.

## CRITICAL INCIDENT COMMITTEE

Tactical channels have been added to portables. Daniel and Lyn are getting the local resource supplies together in the County.

# ACTIVE SHOOTER

Sheriff Peters stated Randolph County is hosting an Active Shooter class on August 3, 2024. They have reached out to several County entities. The instructor is Justin Rottman. He suggested getting Fire, EMS and Law involved. One will be scheduled for spring to include administration in schools.

#### GRAND

Lyn asked if Verizon put a portable up the first year of the Grand American. Cindy stated yes. Chuck stated FirstNet and Sprint had done so. Verizon already has a tower on Doza Creek Rd. Lyn will contact Verizon.

## MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bobby Helmers asked the board for a motion to adjourn. Sheriff Peters moved, seconded by Lyn Thies. Motion carried.