

**Minutes of Winnebago County 911 Service Board
Public Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting
Meeting date: Jan 19, 2021**

Call to order: A public budget hearing and a regular business meeting of the Winnebago County 911 Service Board was held via conference call due to COVID-19 and heightened public health risks. The meeting was open to the public to meet in person at the Public Safety Center in Forest City or via conference call. The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. Chairman Terry Durby presiding and Jennifer Ackerman, Secretary.

Members in attendance: Terry Durby – representing Winnebago County, Andy Buffington – representing Winnebago Co Emergency Management, Steven Hepperly – representing Winnebago Co Sheriff Dept, Thomas Montgomery – representing Forest City, Candy Hanna– representing Lake Mills, Rick Hofbauer – representing Buffalo Center, Carla Langfald – representing Scarville, Louise Hagedorn – representing Rake, Mark Thoma – representing Joice.

Members not in attendance: Representatives of Thompson, Crystal Lake and Woden.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda: Ms. Hanna made a motion to approve the agenda and minutes from meeting held Jan 30, 2020. Mr. Montgomery offered a second. All voted aye, motion carried.

Election of Officers: Mr. Durby asked for nominations for chairman and vice chairman, there was discussion about keeping the offices of chairman and vice chairman the same, thereby nominating Mr. Durby as chairman and Mr. Montgomery as vice chairman. There were no further nominations. Mr. Hoffbauer made a motion to retain chairman and vice chair. Ms. Hanna offered a second, all voted aye, motion carried.

Public Budget Hearing: Ms. Ackerman advised not much had changed in the budget. It is slightly lower overall mainly due to joining the state shared 911 services. Ms. Ackerman advised \$100,000 was again budgeted for new radios, focusing on getting the fire departments on the 700 MHz system as law enforcement and ambulances in the county were now equipped. Mr. Durby asked if there were any comments from the public or any further discussion, there was none. Mr. Hoffbauer made a motion to approve the FY22 911 Budget. Mr. Montgomery offered a second. All voted aye, motion carried.

Assigned Fund Balance: Ms. Ackerman advised the board should consider documenting what it intends to use the fund balance for in the future. Mr. Buffington proposed assigning future fund balance to go towards any 911 projects. Mr. Hoffbauer made a motion to assign future fund balance to go towards future 911 projects, Ms. Hagedorn offered a second. All voted aye, motion carried.

Adjournment: Ms. Langfald made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Hanna offered a second; all voted aye, meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Jennifer Ackerman

Jan 25, 2022

Secretary Winnebago County E911 Service Board

Date of Approval