

Minutes of Winnebago County 911 Service Board
Public Budget Amendment Hearing, Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting
Meeting date: Jan 25, 2022

Call to order: A public budget amendment hearing, public budget hearing and a regular business meeting of the Winnebago County 911 Service Board was open to the public to meet in person at the Public Safety Center in Forest City or via conference call due to COVID-19 and heightened public health risk. 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, Mike Huan– representing Thompson, Rick Hofbauer – representing Buffalo Center, Carla Langfald – representing Scarville, Laura Blocker – representing Crystal Lake, Mark Thoma – representing Joice.

Members not in attendance: Representatives of Lake Mills, Rake and Woden.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda: Mr. Hofbauer made a motion to approve the agenda and minutes from meeting held Jan 19, 2021. Mr. Huan 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. Buffington made a motion to retain chairman and vice chair. Mr. Hofbauer offered a second, all voted aye, motion carried.

Public Budget Amendment Hearing: : FY22 Budget Amendment
4010-38-1230-000-44600 REPAIR RADIO & RELATED EQUIPMENT From \$5,000 to \$31,593
Reason for increase: To pay Motorola for radio maintenance contracts for the dispatch consoles and for the portable and mobile radios purchased 3 years ago whose maintenance contracts expired. Mr. Durby asked for questions and comments from the board and the public; hearing none he asked if anyone would make a motion to approve the budget amendment. Mr. Blocker made a motion, Mr. Montgomery offered a second, all voted aye, motion carried.

Public Budget Hearing: Ms. Ackerman the major changes in the budget are radio related with an increase for radio maintenance contracts and \$150,000 budgeted for new radios for the fire departments. Mr. Buffington advised the officers and EMS departments are currently all equipped with the 700 MHz system and the fire departments now each have 2 to 4 portable radios. Ms. Ackerman advised the fire departments will be training on them soon and once they are in use we should have a better idea of how many more each department will need. Mr. Durby asked if there were any comments from the public or any further discussion, there was none. Mr. Hepperly made a motion to approve the FY23 911 Budget. Ms. Blocker 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 made a motion to assign future funds to radio purchases, radio maintenance and any applicable 911 needs. Mr. Hoffbauer offered a second. All voted aye, motion carried.

Adjournment: Mr. Hauan made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Blocker offered a second; all voted aye, meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

Jennifer Ackerman

Secretary Winnebago County E911 Service Board

1/31/2023

Date of Approval