

**Minutes of Winnebago County 911 Service Board
Public Budget Amendment Hearing & Regular Meeting
Meeting date: Aug 17, 2023**

Call to order: A public budget amendment 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. The meeting convened at 4:30 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, Mike Hauan via phone– representing Thompson, Carla Langfald – representing Scarville, Louise Hagedorn via phone – representing Rake, Laura Blocker – representing Crystal Lake.

Members not in attendance: Representatives of Lake Mills, Buffalo Center, Forest City, Joice and Woden.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda: Ms. Blocker made a motion to approve the agenda and minutes from the meeting held Jan 31, 2023. Mr. Buffington offered a second. All voted aye, motion carried.

Public Budget Amendment Hearing: Ms. Ackerman explained the budget amendment increase of \$138,000 is to purchase radios that were ordered FY23 but have not arrived and were not invoiced during FY23. \$138,000 was budgeted FY23 and that money is still available as it rolled over when it was not spent. Mr. Durby asked if there were any questions or discussion on the proposed budget amendment. There was none. Mr. Buffington made a motion to approve the budget amendment, Ms. Blocker offered a second, all voted aye, motion carried.

Contract with Lexipol: Ms. Ackerman advised the six fire departments are still in need of radios that will cost over \$400,000 and she has been in touch with Lexipol to assist with grant possibilities that could aid in covering the cost. Lexipol’s advice was to apply to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) for a regional grant. Lexipol offers grant writing assistance and provided a contract of \$8,750.00 to assist the six departments in applying for the AFG. Mr. Durby made a motion to approve the contract, Ms. Hagedorn offered a second, all voted aye, motion carried.

Adjournment: Ms. Langfald made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hepperly offered a second; all voted aye, meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Jennifer Ackerman

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Secretary Winnebago County E911 Service Board

Date of Approval