

BUTLER COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL MEETING

July 13th, 2021

PRESENT:

Commissioner Osche

Glenn Porter

Chuck Montag

William Rooker

John Hertzog

Rob McLafferty

Steve Bicehouse

Guests:

Terry Seilhamer

Chuck Lewis

William Ahlgren

Myron Greenert

Shawn Pistorius

- I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** 12:02 PM by Chair
- II. **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AGENDA ITEMS: None**
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Motion made to approve by Chuck L. 2nd by Chuck M.

- IV. **ACTION ITEMS**

- A. **OLD**

- 1. **Landing Zones Project**

Chuck Lewis reported that he is still working on obtaining information on formatting for GIS layers. He has spoken to one Air medical service regarding formatting. Commissioner Osche noted she was contacted by the Mayor of Eau Claire Boro regarding setting up a helipad in the Boro. Discussion followed regarding FAA requirements for Helipads.

- B. **NEW**

- 1. **Eaton UPS Proposal**

Steve presented a proposal from Eaton Corp to extend the life of our UPS by 4 years. Price would be \$33,207. This would be an upgrade of the Hardware and firmware and add some additional monitoring capabilities. Our UPS will be end of life 01/01/2027. This would extend the EOL to 01/01/2031. Purchase of new UPS is between \$60,000 to \$80,000 today. Discussion followed regarding pros and cons to replace vs upgrade. Steve also noted we only have one electrical feed in to the building and there is concern over the down time of the UPS. Discussion followed regarding development of a separate redundant feed to the 911 Center. Motion made by Chuck L. to not accept the upgrade of the UPS. Second by Chuck M. Motion made by Chuck L to do an electrical study to have a

redundant feed to the 911 Center. 2nd by John H. Steve to contact our Facilities and Operations Director to start the process of exploring an upgrade.

V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. OLD

1. Shared CAD update

No update

2. Staffing update

Steve noted we are still looking for part time candidates. Steve noted we are struggling to find qualified candidates. Rob recently sent out 10 test for interested candidates.

3. Radio system update

Last change order completed. We are waiting until every install is complete to have Commissioner Osche sign the final acceptance.

4. ICORRS update

No update. Meeting tomorrow

5. Radio Advisory Board update

No meeting. Chuck L. noted he was contacted by AHN to see who they need to reach out to for requests to be added to our System. Steve noted to have them reach out to Rob.

6. WestCore update

Meeting this am. Still working on text to 911.

7. EPD and EFD project

Working through some changes that need to be made to streamline the process. Staff are getting used to it.

8. Covid 19 efforts

Still limiting access and meetings to the Center. Screening all visitors and employees. Vaccination Center closed June 30th. Discussion followed regarding the lessons learned regarding the process.

9. **50 year celebration**

Commissioner Osche to check with Jordan regarding next steps.

C. **NEW**

1. **Legislative update**

No report

2. **IT Support**

Steve noted some challenges we have had with IT support on mission critical items and networking. IT recently had an employee who was comfortable working on some of our systems resign. This creates a knowledge gap that Rob or Steve cannot bridge. Steve noted that our operation is becoming increasingly more complicated. As a 24/7 operation, we need the same level of support. To bridge the gap, Steve reached out to a public safety IT support agency for a price to help us have an adequate level of support.

VI. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

No report

VII. **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR GENERAL ITEMS**

None

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Bill R. Second Chuck M. at 13:00

/Submitted by Steve Bicehouse