

BUTLER COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL

MEETING October 12th, 2021

PRESENT:

Commissioner Osche

Chuck Montag

John Hertzog

Rob McLafferty

Steve Bicehouse

Scott Briggs

Guests:

Charles Lewis

William Ahlgren

Myron Greenert

Shawn Pistorius

Glenn Porter

I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** 12:02 PM by the Chair

II. **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AGENDA ITEMS: None**

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Motion made by Charles Lewis, second by William Ahlgren

IV. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. **OLD**

1. **Landing Zones Project**

No update at this time

2. **Electrical system**

Steve noted that John Campbell has met with First Energy. Waiting for pricing. Commissioner Osche asked if we had a ball park, Steve noted we did not but he will prompt John for a price.

B. **NEW**

1. **Radio Concern**

Steve noted we an issue with a Fire Department with an open mic cursing over the air. Since this was a violation of the Radio Agreement and SOG's, we involved our solicitor and drafted a letter asking for corrective action. The return letter is included for review. Our radio agreement asks for Communication Council approval to accept. Motion by Charles Lewis to accept it, 2nd by Charles Montag. Vote unanimous

2. **Final Acceptance Radio System**

Steve noted we are at the point to authorize Commissioner Osche to sign the final acceptance of the radio system. Motion made by Charles Lewis, 2nd by Myron Greenert. Vote unanimous

V. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

C. **OLD**

1. **Staffing update**

Steve noted we are still looking for part time candidates. Steve noted we are struggling to find qualified candidates. Starting to look at the possibility of changing part time positions to full time. Discussion followed regarding some of the scheduling issues with 3 staff being off at a time.

2. **Radio system update**

See above. No further reports

3. **ICORRS update**

Taking a long term maintenance contract for the CORE for Board approval. This reduces our amount since there are 2 additional Counties that are utilizing the Core.

4. **Radio Advisory Board update**

No meeting. Steve noted we needed to have a meeting to develop specs for non-Motorola equipment being added to the system.

5. **WestCore update**

Meeting this am. We are live right now with Text to 911 testing. The WestCore group is working on a group press release when we are officially live. Rob noted we did have a live call already for a domestic. Steve noted we are still waiting for resolution from Lumen for our outage. Discussion followed

6. **Covid 19 efforts**

Still limiting access and meetings to the Center. Screening all visitors and employees. We did have 2 staff members recently test positive in the admin office. We did have our janitorial staff spray the facility with an antiviral as a precautionary measure

7. **50 year celebration**

This Friday is the Chamber luncheon for our 50 year celebration.

C. NEW

1. **Legislative update**

Steve noted there is a new Region 13 subcommittee related to 911. This will be used to lobby on behalf of all Region 13 Counties for future State grants or legislative issues.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Budgets have been submitted and hearing is next week. We were notified that we are receiving 100% of our 911 funds under the corrected formula instead of the anticipated 50%.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR GENERAL ITEMS

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Charles L. Second Glenn P. at 12:55

/Submitted by Steve Bicehouse