

## COLBERT COUNTY 9-1-1 BOARD MEETING

September 10, 2013

4:00 p.m.

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chief Dewey King  
Mr. Kirk Jones  
Mrs. Dessie Evans  
Ms. Ronda Hood  
Mr. Garey Austin

### **OTHERS:**

Mr. Michael Smith  
Ms. Jessica Mothershed  
Mrs. Rebecca Narmore  
Mr. Nick Goodman (Sharp)  
Mr. Benji Waldrep (Sharp)

- I. **Call to order:** The Colbert County 9-1-1 Board Meeting was called to order by Chief King at approximately 4:03 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call:** All Board Members were present with the exception of Chief McMullins and Chief Blackstock.
- III. **Comments from the public:**
  - a. None.
- IV. **Minutes:**
  - a. A motion was made by Mrs. Evans and seconded by Ms. Hood to accept the minutes for August 2013. All board members voted in favor.
- V. **Financial Report:**
  - a. A motion was made by Mr. Austin and seconded by Ms. Hood to approve the financial reports for August 2013 as presented. All Board members voted in favor.
- VI. **Director's Comments:**
  - a. Mileage Reimbursement Rate:
    - i. Mr. Smith advised the Board that the current mileage reimbursement rate was \$0.31 per mile and had been that for many years. Chief King had asked Mr. Smith to research the rate and present at the meeting. The current IRS rate is \$0.565 per mile for 2013.
    - ii. Mr. Austin made a motion to update our mileage reimbursement rate to match the IRS rate of \$0.565 per mile, and to continue updating it each year to match the IRS rate. Ms. Hood seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor.
  - b. Letter to Commission requesting Mr. Melton's raise:
    - i. Mr. Smith advised the Board that the County Commission had requested a letter to be drafted requesting the increase in Mr. Melton's salary to reflect the recently-given raise from 911. Mr. Smith has already drafted the letter and had Chief King to sign it.

- ii. Mrs. Rebecca Narmore advised there is no need to take any action on the letter, due to the raise already being a part of the approved FY14 budget.
- c. IP Switch – Sole Source/Upgrade:
  - i. Mr. Smith informed the Board that the current 911 Switch Vendor (Cassidian/RPSS) has made a proposal to upgrade our current system, rather than totally replacing it. They provided us a Sole Source Statement regarding the current equipment. This information and the plan-of-action was given to Mrs. Narmore to research and make sure it could legally be pursued without going through the bid process. Bypassing the bid process and using this as an upgrade and not a total replacement will save several thousand dollars.
  - ii. Mrs. Narmore stated that all documentation appeared to be legal and as long as we are upgrading current equipment, then we would be able to continue.
  - iii. Mrs. Evans made a motion to allow the upgrade path to be taken and bypass the bid process. Mr. Austin seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor.
- d. Integrity Bid Award:
  - i. Mrs. Narmore advised the Board that she had looked over both bids that had been submitted and both parties appear to have met all requirements.
  - ii. Mr. Austin made a motion to award the Integrity Bid to the higher bidder, Sharp Communications. His reasoning was due to the many problems that arose with the Radio Shop during the previous bid attempt. Chief King asked Mrs. Narmore if it was legal to award the bid to the high bidder. Mrs. Narmore stated it was legal to award to the high bidder if the low bidder had a history of problems, didn't meet requirements, or a number of other items. The motion died for a lack of second.
  - iii. Mrs. Hood made a motion to award the Integrity Bid to the low bidder, The Radio Shop. Mrs. Evans seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Mr. Austin discussed the problems that we had with The Radio Shop's inability to complete the project that ultimately led to the cancellation of the project and put the project a year behind schedule.
  - iv. Chief King called for a vote: Ms. Hood voted yea, Chief King voted yea, Mr. Austin voted nay, Mrs. Evans abstained, Mr. Jones abstained. The motion passed by a 2-1 vote, with 2 abstentions.

VII. **Next Meeting:** Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

VIII. **Adjournment:** At 4:27 p.m., and with no further business to discuss, Mrs. Evans made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. All Board Members voted in favor.

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Chief Dewey King, Chairperson

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Mr. Kirk Jones, Vice-Chairman

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Mr. Garey Austin, Secretary/Treasurer

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Chief Ken Blackstock, Board Member

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Ms. Ronda Hood, Board Member

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Mrs. Dessie Evans, Board Member

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absent  
Chief Tim McMullins, Board Member