

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
ARKANSAS 911 BOARD
December 18, 2025**

A regular monthly meeting of the Arkansas 911 Board was held at the North Little Rock City Services Building at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 18, 2025, with a Zoom link and conference bridge provided.

Chairman A.J. Gary called the Arkansas 911 Board meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and presided over the meeting with a quorum declared with one vacant position.

The following members were in attendance:

Board

A.J. Gary, Chairman	Director Arkansas Division of Emergency Management
Shelby Johnson	Director, Arkansas GIS Office
TJ Fowler	Designee, Auditor of State
Rusty McMillon	County Judge, Greene County
Sally Pittser - Zoom	911 Director, Union County
Bo Robertson	Director, Garland County Department of Emergency Management
Doug Sprouse	Mayor, City of Springdale
Kevin Molder - Zoom	Sheriff, Poinsett County
Danny Baker - Zoom	Police Chief, City of Fort Smith
Tommy Sizemore - Zoom	Fire Chief, City of Barling
Jamie Pafford-Gresham - Zoom	Pafford Emergency Medical Services

Executive Director

C.J. Engel

Assistant Attorney General

Will Puddephatt – Zoom

Meeting Minutes - Motion made by TJ Fowler and seconded by Doug Sprouse to approve the Minutes from November 20, 2025, Arkansas 911 Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Financial Report – C.J. Engel provided the financial report reflecting the total assets and liabilities as of November 30, 2025, to be \$23,505,986.10 in which \$10,236,353.62 is in the State Treasury and \$13,269,632.48 is with U.S. Bank.

Expenses – Expenses for month ending November 30, 2025, totaling \$529,853.96 included:

- LEC Charges - \$281,616.43
- Arkansas GIS Office - \$28,117.40
- AT&T Mobility FirstNet - \$41.23
- U.S. Bank - \$1,079.90

- Contract Labor - \$16,309.00
- HCJ CPAs & Advisors - \$12,690.00
- White County - \$190,000.00

3Q25 PSAP Quarterly Distribution - \$10,246,965.70 will be distributed in December.

Motion by Rusty McMillon and seconded by Bo Robertson to approve the financial report and expenses as reviewed. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Fort Smith – Sebastian County PSAP Consolidation – 911 Director Wes Milam provided an update to the board. The local plan has changed to no longer build a new facility and it will now be housed at the Fort Smith Police Department’s current PSAP. The local 911 board has approved the 2026 budget and plan with a projected timeline to consolidate the physical location by July 1, 2026. An extension of funding until July 1, 2026 is being requested. Rusty McMillon made a motion and seconded by Doug Sprouse to extend the deadline for consolidation of Sebastian County and Fort Smith until July 1, 2026. Motion carried with 10 yes votes. Danny Baker and Tommy Sizemore abstained from the vote.

North Little Rock – Maumelle – Sherwood PSAP Consolidation – NLR Mayor Terry Hartwick, Chief of Staff Mike Davis, 911 Director Kim Francisco, CFO Ember Strange, Maumelle Mayor Caleb Norris, Police Captain Dustin Ivey, Fire Chief Beau Buford, Sherwood Mayor Mary Jo Heye-Townsell, and Police Chief Jeff Hagar were in attendance. NLR 911 Director Kim Francisco presented all potential facility options for a new consolidated PSAP ranging from \$2 million to \$10 million including staying where they currently are and the preferred option of moving to City Services building with building costs being covered by NLR and equipment costs needing to be shared among the 3 entities if moving forward. NLR has set aside \$600,000.00 with an additional \$2.5 million budgeted in 2026. Shelby Johnson provided a timeline of the consolidation efforts and more specifically this project. Additional discussion still includes concerns and issues around the project by Maumelle and Sherwood. Due to new information provided and discussion around these proposals, further conversation is requested between the 3 entities. The board has asked for the mayors and their leadership teams to meet and report back to the board at its March meeting. TJ Fowler made a motion and Rusty McMillon seconded, to extend funding until March 31, 2026. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

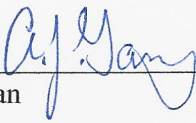
From the Floor

A.J. Gary opened the floor to questions/comments from the Board and/or guests.

Shelby Johnson wanted to acknowledge county fire coordinators, county judges, and county 911 coordinators for all of the updates having to be made and pointed out new information provided in the GIS progress document.

The next regular meeting has been scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 15, 2026, at the Arkansas Division of Emergency Management. Information for all Arkansas 911 Board meetings will continue to be posted on the Arkansas Public Meetings calendar as well as the Arkansas 911 Board website.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion by TJ Fowler and seconded by Bo Robertson to adjourn. Motion carried.


Chairman