## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARKANSAS 911 BOARD November 21, 2024

A regular monthly meeting of the Arkansas 911 Board was held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2024 at the Arkansas Division of Emergency Management with a Zoom link and conference bridge provided.

In the absence of Chairman A.J. Gary, Justin Vint called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. and presided over the meeting with a quorum declared.

## The following members were in attendance:

#### Board

Justin Vint
Shelby Johnson
TJ Fowler
Rusty McMillon - Zoom
Sally Pittser
Bo Robertson

Doug Sprouse Kevin Molder - Zoom Danny Baker - Zoom Tommy Sizemore - Zoom Jamie Pafford-Gresham - Zoom

# **Executive Director**

C.J. Engel

# Assistant Attorney General

Michael Bynum

## The following members were absent:

Robert McGowen

Designee, Chairman
Director, Arkansas GIS Office
Designee, Auditor of State
County Judge, Greene County
911 Director, Union County
Director, Garland County Department of
Emergency Management
Mayor, City of Springdale
Sheriff, Poinsett County
Police Chief, City of Fort Smith
Fire Chief, City of Barling
Pafford Emergency Medical Services

Administrator of Public Safety, Benton County

Motion by Shelby Johnson and seconded by Bo Robertson to approve the Minutes from the October 17, 2024, Arkansas 911 Board Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report** – C.J. Engel provided the financial report reflecting the total assets and liabilities as of October 31, 2024, to be \$22,573,408.64 in which \$12,677,721.49 is in the State Treasury and \$9,895,687.15 is with U.S. Bank.

**Expenses** – Expenses for month ending October 31, 2024 totaling \$306,253.61 included:

- LEC Charges \$269,242.02
- Arkansas GIS Office \$21,100.85
- AT&T Mobility FirstNet \$41.23
- U.S. Bank \$269.51

• Contract Labor - \$15,600.00

Motion by Doug Sprouse and seconded by TJ Fowler to approve the financial report and expenses as reviewed. Motion carried unanimously.

**15% Allocation Reimbursement Requests** – Requests for 9-1-1 CPE upgrade reimbursements were received by the following:

- Fulton \$30,000.00
- Pope \$35,000.00
- Prairie \$35,000.00

Motion by Jamie Pafford-Gresham to approve the 9-1-1 CPE upgrade reimbursements and seconded by Doug Sprouse. Motion carried unanimously.

An updated report of the ETSB Carryover Allocation Fund was presented with two new requests for reimbursement:

- Pope County \$4,138.56
- Pulaski County \$115,439.09

Motion by Doug Sprouse to approve the ETSB Carryover reimbursement requests and seconded by Shelby Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Following approval of these requests, the remaining balance for both Pope and Pulaski County is \$0.00 and the total remaining balance of the ETSB carryover fund is \$203,089.15.

No new consolidation expense reimbursement requests were received leaving a remaining balance of \$6,200,000.00.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

GIS Data Aggregation for NG911 Service – Shelby Johnson updated the Board on the Arkansas GIS Office's recent project activities including Jefferson County being live on GeoMSAG and Clay County moving to EGDMS load pending. The local work pending column will be removed from update report as no other counties remain in this status.

**ESInet & NextGen Core Services** – C.J. Engel shared that no additions have been made to ESInet since the last meeting. Several PSAPs have been updated from RFAI status to i3, bringing 70 PSAPs to i3, 23 RFAI, and 1 CAMA.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **PSAP Consolidation Extension Requests**

Lonoke County – Cabot Mayor, Ken Kincaid was in attendance via Zoom and provided an update on consolidation in Lonoke County. Facility is near completion, agreements have been signed, and a new Director has been hired. Due to a delay in equipment installation by Motorola and some minor issues with facility completion, a three-month extension is requested.

Sebastian County – Fort Smith City Administrator Carl Geffken and Sebastian County Judge Steve Hotz attended the meeting via Zoom and provided an update to the Board on consolidation. The interlocal agreement has been approved by both governing entities and the Attorney General's Office. An architect has been hired to help determine costs and layouts of potential sites. An 18-month to two-year extension is requested.

Union County – 911 Director Sally Pittser updated the Board on Union County's consolidation status. Due to delays in electrical transformer installation at the facility, the original move date of December 18th has been shifted to January 15th. A three-month extension is requested.

#### From the Floor

Justin Vint opened the floor to questions/comments from the board and/or guests.

The next regular meeting has been scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 19, 2024 at the Arkansas Division of Emergency Management with a virtual option. 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 Bo Robertson and seconded by Shelby Johnson to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairmai