

**Story County 911 Service Board
Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2022**

The 911 Service Board met on 8/10/2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sheriff's Squad Room at the Story County Justice Center.

Story County Board of Supervisors	Linda Murken
Story County Sheriff's Office	Paul Fitzgerald; Nicholas Lennie, alternate
ISU	Michael Newton; Carrie Jacobs, alternate
Ames	Tom Hackett
Ames Police Chief	Geoff Huff; Aaron DeLashmutt, alternate
Cambridge	Taylor Bassett
Collins	Not present
Colo	Not present
Gilbert/Franklin	Brian Grove
Huxley	Gerry Stoll
Maxwell	Not present
McCallsburg	Not present
Nevada	Ricardo Martinez
Roland	Not present
Slater	Not present
Story City	Matt Sporleder
Westory	Not present
Zearing	Not present
Story County EMA	Melissa Spencer
Secretary	Amanda Pyle
Guests	Nic Briseño, SCSO; Marylin Mosinski, SCSO

Fitzgerald opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Introductions around the room.

Newton made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Martinez. MCU.

Murken made a motion to approve the minutes from May. Second by Hackett. MCU.

Vote-Disposal of 911 Property

Pyle is holding a Motorola two-way base radio from an old paging site in Zearing. RACOM confirmed that equipment in Zearing from the EE paging system is decommissioned. The Board will need to vote to dispose of the equipment, removing it from inventory. Martinez made a motion to dispose of the radio. Second by Hackett. MCU.

Radio/Paging Project Update

Lennie reviewed that users in Slater are experiencing ongoing paging coverage issues. The system has been tested and deemed unacceptable. There was discussion about adding paging equipment to the Big Creek tower in Polk County to support Slater. That option was found to be insufficient. RACOM has provided a new quote for a different solution that is up for review by the Board. The solution includes a tower on a City of Slater building and two commercialized mini microwaves, one at Slater and one at Big Creek.

The working group, MCP and RACOM are confident that this solution is more than adequate. The base quote, with shipping, is \$81,437.00. RACOM would not charge for use of the Big Creek tower.

The commercial microwaves for this solution are exclusive to the system. To ensure that replacement parts are available in case of failure, MCP strongly recommends purchasing a compatible “hot spare” microwave. That cost is \$12,530.

There is potential that the City of Slater will cover the cost of concrete and electrical circuit at the tower. The commitment still needs to be confirmed with the City. In the case that those components do not get covered by the City or for any unknown costs, the working group suggests that the Board also approve a 5% contingency.

The working group would recommend to approach the StoryComm Board with a request to add and insure (StoryComm insurance) the Slater paging tower in with the full system.

Hackett questioned if paging is built into the contracted hardware refresh. Unconfirmed.

Huff asked if everyone agrees that RACOM has met their obligations of the contract. The consensus is that they have. Legally they have met the terms of the contract, morally RACOM acknowledges that there are still issues and are settling to sell equipment at cost with no charge for labor.

Fitzgerald said that the 911 Board upholds the standard set forth to cover all cities in the county. There is funding available in budget reserves to see the obligation through. In preparations for the FY24 budget, the Board will factor in this investment and building back reserves.

Martinez made a motion to accept the quote as presented with optional replacement microwave, plus a 5% contingency. Second by Huff. MCU.

Old Business

Lennie recalled that the Board had previously approved project change orders 9.1 and 9.2 for outdoor warning system main and backup. The expenditure was approved in the FY22 budget. He updated that the invoice, totaling \$28,163.62, was just received in August (FY23) and will now be paid. No questions.

New Business None

Comments from the Public None

Comments from 911 Service Board Members

Martinez questioned the start time of the tower in Slater. Lennie replied that work would begin upon approval and might take 20-24 weeks to complete.

Martinez made a motion to adjourn at 7:05pm. Second by Hackett. MCU.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Pyle, Secretary
911 Database Coordinator