

JEFFERSON COUNTY 9-1-1 DISPATCH
Minutes of Regular Meeting
April 18, 2019

A regular meeting of the Jefferson County 9-1-1 Dispatch Board was duly called to order at 2:00 pm at Rock Township Ambulance District by Chairman John Scullin. The following members of the Board were in attendance.

John Scullin - Chairman
Paul Mayer –Vice-Chairman
Vernon Cherry - Secretary
David Kennedy – Member
Andy Sides - Member
Gary Wright – Member

Absent: Brian Taylor – Member

Also present:

Travis Williams – Chief
Bob Sweeney – Attorney
Penni May – Business Manager

Guests: Assistant Chief David Bieser (Jeffco 9-1-1), Michael Prater (Jeffco9-1-1), Jim Terry

Agenda –Chairman Scullin present the agenda. Chief Williams requested to add Resolution 2019-05 under Legal. A Motion was made by Paul Mayer, seconded by Gary Wright to approve the amended agenda. All present were in favor.

Minutes – Chairman Scullin presented the minutes of the regular session meeting of March 21, 2019. A Motion was made by Paul Mayer, seconded by Gary Wright to approve the regular session minutes of March 21, 2019. All present were in favor.

Guest Forum & Comments: Chairman Scullin welcomed guests. Mr. Jim Terry stated, he would like to congratulate the board on the tax issue. He also informed the board, he now sits on the STARRS board with Warren Robinson. Chief Williams stated, at a chief's meeting recently, there was some discussion regarding the fire personnel working with STARRS for some type of equipment. Jim Terry also informed the board, the Friday prior his wife fell and he called 9-1-1 and the dispatcher did a wonderful job coaching until help arrived.

Committees:

Jefferson County Emergency Services – No Report

PSC Meeting – No meeting, no report.

Operations Committee – No Report

Chief's Report:

Perfect Attendance – Chief Williams reported, the agency had 28 employees with perfect attendance for the month March 2019.

Statistic Report: Chief Williams reported the following statistics for March 2019.

March 2019 **21,886 Total Calls** **6,147 9-1-1 Calls**

One Call fell into the below acceptable range

994 more calls than March 2018 with 73 of those being 9-1-1 calls

Board Member Wright commented that our dispatchers answer these calls with the compassion as if they were speaking with a family member or a neighbor. He was also of the opinion; this was one of

the important factors in achieving a 71% win at the polls for the sales tax. Going forward, we need to protect our reputation, by continuing to hire employees with this type of demeanor.

Public Relations Report –Chief Williams presented the Public Relations Report.

Education Report– Chief Williams presented the Education Report.

VERNON CHERRY ARRIVED AT THE MEETING AT 2:05

Legal:

Resolution 2019-05 – Purchase of Certain Interoperability Radio Communications Equipment

Chief Williams explained, there is a micro-wave ring around our county with our towers. This purchase is for a critical path from the Buckeye Valley Site to the Master in St. Louis County and from there to the dark master is St. Charles County. Five years ago, St Charles County paid for the equipment to create this critical path. St. Charles County now is requesting Jefferson County 9-1-1 Dispatch take ownership of their portion of this equipment that is house at Buckeye Valley site. Jefferson County 9-1-1 Dispatch would then be responsible for the maintenance of our portion of the equipment. The cost will be one dollar. Attorney Sweeney state, the resolution accepts ownership and authorizes the transfer. Chairman Scullin read the resolution at that time. A Motion was made by Vernon Cherry, seconded by Paul Mayer to adopt the resolution. The vote was as follows:

Vernon Cherry	Yes
Paul Mayer	Yes
Gary Wright	Yes
David Kennedy	Yes
Andy Sides	Yes
John Scullin	Yes

Old Business:

Legislative Update – Chief Williams reported, Senate Bill 291 has been voted out of committee with a house substitute and now is in a legislative oversight committee. The bill will either pass or fail there. If passed, it will go to the floor for a vote and then back to the Senate if it is passed. Chief Williams stated, he along with David Kennedy, Gary Wright and Attorney Sweeney went to Jefferson City the Monday prior and testified in front of the Crime Prevention and Public Safety Committee about the bill and detrimental affect the amendment would have on Jefferson County 9-1-1 Dispatch. After a discussion, Board Member Kennedy informed the board, he plans on writing a follow up letter.

Main Facility Renovation - Chief Williams informed the board, the punch list is near completion. We plan on moving Fire/EMS to the main facility within the week and will have someone occupying the facility 24/7. The next phase, which includes the septic, parking and fencing will follow the completion of the inside of the building.

Sales Tax Initiative – Chief Williams informed the board, the election was a victory with the ballot issue passing with a 70.67% yes vote. Board Member Mayer sent a spread sheet to the board and it passed in every precinct except one where it had a tied vote. We had a large amount of assistance from the employees and Fire/EMS and Police agencies. Chief Williams thanked the employees, agencies and Local 2665. Chairman Scullin requested, Chief Williams pass along the board's appreciation to all that participated in the campaign.

CAD Upgrade - Chief Williams reported, we did meet with LogiSys and went over some things with regards to the terms and conditions. We will discuss the LogiSys in more detail upon completion of the renovation. Chief Williams wants some time to discuss this CAD with St. Louis County. Board Member Kennedy would like to see the renovation completed and not rush with a CAD upgrade.

Nokia Maintenance - Chief Williams informed the board, Nokia is in the process of upgrading the routers.

New Business: None

Financial

Bills of the Session – The bills of the session were presented. A Motion was made by Gary Wright seconded by Paul Mayer to approve the April 2019 bills presented in the amount of \$537,778.41. Checks 14329-14373 and EFTs. The vote was as follows:

Gary Wright	Yes
Paul Mayer	Yes
Andy Sides	Yes
David Kennedy	Yes
Vernon Cherry	Yes
John Scullin	Yes

Audit Report – None

Sales Tax Revenue: Chief Williams reported the sales tax revenue for the month of April 2019 was \$743,119.99.

Announcements – Chief Williams informed the board, the current week was National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week. We grilled and had lunch for the employees. Several other agencies delivered goodies for our employees.

A Motion was made by Andy Sides, seconded by Brian Taylor to adjourn the open session of the meeting. All present were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted

John Scullin
Chairman

Vernon Cherry
Secretary