# 9.08.2022

#### **OASIS**

# Public Safety Radio System Governance Board

# MEETING MINUTES

09.08.2022, 12:30/PM CST Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

# **Board of Directors, Members:**

- Andy Pederson, Village Manager, Bayside: Chair
- Cassandra Libal, OEM Director, Milwaukee County: Vice-Chair
- Eric Cera, Police Chief, Hales Corners: Secretary
- Mason Pooler, Fire Chief, West Allis
- <u>Daniel Laurila, Operations Budget Manager, Milwaukee County</u>
- Shaun Nadolny, GMIA, Milwaukee County
  - ,ICC Representative

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 12:04/PM by Chairman Pederson.

#### **ROLL CALL**

# Membership:

0	DAS representative -	Daniel Laurila,	Absent.
0	DOT representative -	Shaun Nadolny,	Absent.
0	OEM representative -	Cassandra Libal,	Present.
0	ICC representative -	,	Vacant.
0	Municipalities' representative -	Andy Pederson,	Present.
0	MCLEEA representative -	Eric Cera,	Present.
0	MCAFC representative -	Mason Pooler,	Present.
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#### Advisory Members:

- OEM Radio Division Director Dan Weber, Present.
- Operational Committee Chair Jay Sharfenberg, Jim Mayer representing.
- Technical Committee Chair Jim Mayer, Present.
  911 Special Committee Chair- Lianne Scharnott, Present.

#### Guests:

- Rich Foscato
- Kinnyetta Patterson
- Robert Whitaker
- Kevin Koenig
- Andy Carrion
- Adam Abelson
- Matt Johnson
- o Chris McGowan
- o Patrick Mullins
- Damion Rivera
- Anthony Rux
- o Mark Tillman
- o 8 unidentified

## **APPROVALS**

Approval of 9/8/2022 Meeting Agenda, Andy Pederson, Chair.

Motion to approve (Pooler) and seconded (Libal.) Motion approved.

Approval of 6/8/2021 Meeting Minutes, Andy Pederson, Chair

Motion to approve (Pooler) and seconded (Libal.) Motion approved.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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# **Technical and Operational Committees**, Jim Mayer, Chair, Technical Committee **Report:**

Continuing work on interop with city. Two vacancies on Ops. One on Tech.

# **911 Special Committee**, Lianne Scharnott, Chair, 911 Special Committee **Report**:

Results of the data collection for the Act 26 grant measures is available as provided. Grant assistance to fund a study for recommendation of a PSAP is not permitted. Correspondence from interested organizations has been received and also compiled for review. Recommend further study as a course of action.

#### STANDING BUSINESS

System Update: Dan Weber, OEM Radio Division Director

Report:

Nothing new to report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item: ACT 26 Discussion:

Pederson mentioned that some have mentioned that they didn't feel sufficient public notice was made for this meeting so if any action is to be taken he suggest the Board post another notice and reconvene Monday the 12<sup>th</sup>. Libal acknowledged that the collection of data was a challenge. A recommendation to conduct a study is beyond the scope of the Committee. When considering the fact that grant funds cannot fund a study that recommendation is without teeth. Carrion asked for a point of clarification on the use of grant funds; specifically, if the choice of one PSAP means all calls are routed there. Pooler replied that all calls do not have to go there. Patterson furthered the answer stating that was true but with ESRI net 911 calls will route to the closest primary PSAP. The point of the technology is to reduce transfers. Koening explained that like the OASIS System, as an example, the core can be maintained by one organization and other points can connect to it. Pederson stated that he was unsure on how a recommendation to the ICC to not take money from the State and spend our own money for a study, when most of the recommendations from previous studies are not used, would go over. Pooler stated that the MCAFC position is that rushing is not a good idea and a deep dive into the data is warranted. He then opined that there is currently not any one PSAP that has the capability to do it. This is the point to start anew and if there is no desire to pump the brakes then he'd recommend the County as they are developing a new center. Libal replied to the comments stating that OASIS is not really in the best position to make the decision and that the ICC is; however, we should not recommend a wait and see approach. The grant funding comes from user fees statewide but the residents of Milwaukee County provide the majority of it. It doesn't make sense to have our residents pay again for another study especially if the delay could lose funding for a PSAP in our county. Bottom line if we don't act we're not using our constituent's money. Contrary to opinions cited there isn't anything rushed about this, it's been going on awhile, and the County has been planning for it for a while. The two parts to communications are call taking and dispatch. County has already doing it with wireless calls, the only difference here is the systems bringing the calls. Cera reported that he has mostly heard from people who misunderstand the last point Libal made. There seems to be an assumption creating a lot of emotion that the result of this grant is creating a single PSAP and taking all communications functions away from municipalities. It might be a good position for the Board to provide the extent of what this entails

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which is enhancing the call taking capabilities within the county by supporting technical improvements. It will not take away the local dispatching functions nor will it remove the autonomy to handle your own calls. Like wireless 911, municipalities can choose to utilize the selected PSAP for next gen 911 calls or handle their own. Once that is understood an objective decision based upon the criteria established should be easier to make. Pederson stated there is a question as to when and how that is communicated. Libal advised that the County meets the criteria and suggested recommending the County. Pooler agreed. Pederson asked Scharnott if all eligible PSAPs are interested in applying for the grant. Scharnott replied that a total of five: Bayside, Greenfield, County, City and Oak Creek/Saint Francis are. Franklin is eligible but not interested. Libal mentioned that she would be hesitant to recommend anyone who didn't respond to the committee's inquiry. Scharnott advised that everyone responded but the City questioned the 90% call answer standard and provided a letter explaining how they had a system in transition which couldn't necessarily measure in the manner prescribed giving the appearance they may not meet the standard. They asked for consideration to provide comparable data or change the criteria. Pooler advised that the standard in question is a NENA standard. Pederson observed that the first question from this discussion is whether or not to recommend the ICC move forward this year. An affirmative consensus seemed apparent. Pederson said the recommendation is to have the ICC choose from the five identified. Cera replied, yes. Libal replied, yes move it forward. Pooler replied, they have the data and can ask for feedback. Pederson stated that he concurred. Libal asked how our discussion will be communicated to the ICC. Pederson replied that he'll send them a letter.

## **OPEN FORUM for MEMBERS**

No comments.

#### **OPEN FORUM for NON-MEMBERS**

No comments.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made (Pooler) and seconded (Cera) to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved at 1:11/PM.

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