

Metacomet Emergency Communications Center (MECC)
Minutes of Meeting
May 13, 2020

A meeting of the MECC Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, May 13, 2020, by teleconference via Zoom. Board members present were Jamie Hellen, Blythe Robinson, Kevin Sweet and Jennifer Thompson. MECC employees present: Executive Director Gary Premo, Executive Deputy Director Darrell True, and Acting Communications Manager Nicole Connors. Others in attendance: Franklin Police Chief Thomas Lynch, Norfolk Police Chief Charles Stone Franklin Fire Chief James McLaughlin, Norfolk Fire Chief Kinney, Plainville Fire Chief Justin Alexander, Millville Town Administrator Peter Caruso and State 911 Executive Director Frank Pozniak.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Hellen called the meeting to order at 8:03 am.

OPERATIONS: The Alpine RMS project was discussed. Deputy True reports the MECC bridge server for fire will start tomorrow.

Caliber RMS bi-weekly meetings with the police department liaisons continue. Caliber RMS remote training for the police administration is being discussed. Three out of the four police departments are using an old Interact mobile MDT product. Interact invoices were mistakenly sent to the police departments; the error has been corrected. Caliber has absorbed the company.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: Chair Hellen reports the IMA draft is complete and has been reviewed by Franklin's town attorney. It has been sent out to all six town administrators for review. Each town's attorney should review it.

Peter Caruso states he has no issue with the contract and will have his town attorney review it. Chair Hellen will make revisions and resend the draft for review. Chair Hellen reports the proposal as to how to distribute excess and deficiencies funds back to the four towns is not complete. He wants to focus on completing the IMA first.

Frank Pozniak reports the support and incentive grant application was released last week. July 1st (target date) decisions will be made on the development grant.

Kevin Sweet inquired if the MECC can sustain operations without financial support from each town until the state grant takes effect. Director Premo reports there is \$400,000 in excess and deficiencies the MECC can utilize. Blythe Robinson supports the towns not paying the assessment. Chair Hellen questioned what the timeline to receive funds will be. Director Premo has requested the information from State 911. Once the award is released they will work expeditiously to have the funds available for the MECC.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn by Chair Hellen. Second by Blythe Robinson. Roll call vote Sweet – Yes, Hellen – Yes, Thompson – Yes and Robinson – Yes. Meeting adjourned at 08:50. am.