

IONIA COUNTY CENTRAL DISPATCH
ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes
December 1, 2010

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Advisory Board was held at 545 Apple Tree Drive and called to order by Amanda Powell at 2:09 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Amanda Powell, Jerry Skeltis, Rick Norman, Pat Richard, Dwain Dennis, Bob Bennett, Paul Barker, Dave Bulling, Roland Self, Bob Bauer and Jani Millard (at 1:20 p.m.).

Members Absent: Dale Nelson and Gregg Moore.

Others Present: Jim Valentine and Nancy Rodriguez.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Pat Richard and seconded by Dwain Dennis to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. All ayes.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Roland Self and seconded by Pat Richard to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2010 meeting as written. Motion carried by voice vote. All ayes.

There was no Public Comment.

The Personnel/Finance Committee reviewed the payments for Central Dispatch expenditures.

Discussion/Reports

General Government Committee:

The Committee met on November 9, 2010. Copies of the meeting minutes were passed out to Board members.

Emergency Management:

Rick Norman informed the Board that he is currently working with the 2008 Grant funds. The Local Planning Team (LPT) has made decisions where this money will be allocated. The 2009 Grant funds will be released soon. There is a group working on the templates for the 800 MHz radios; redesigning and updating them. He gave a recap of the last meeting's discussion on the City Watch program. Information on different notification systems is being gathered to see if the City Watch program is still a viable system to use or if the County should utilize another program. This was discussed briefly.

Director's Update:

Journal Reports and 2010 Budget: Reports show that Central Dispatch is about 10% below projected expenditures. We have received three quarters of our 2010 Revenues and are expecting them to be as projected.

Fiber Optics Project: The installation of the fiber is complete. There has been initial testing by Advanced Underground. Once the phone systems are installed there will be further testing done on the fiber. An initial invoice for construction has been received and is in line with what was projected.

IP Phone Vendor Selected: The Board of Commissioners approved Nine One One Inc. as the awarded bidder for the IP phone project. Their bid was \$202,000.00 for the Enhanced 911 phone and administrative phone systems. We are waiting to draw on the grant funds so that we can get the design and installation started.

Old Business

Belding Dispatch Transition:

The project has been completed. The final invoice for indirect costs that was negotiated with the City of Belding shall be paid from the 2010 Budget. The Board of Commissioners approved \$75,000.00 for completion of the transition and we have come in well under that amount, making it possible to pay the final invoice from the 2010 Budget. Discussion followed regarding the Belding phone system issues.

New Business

LEIN Fees:

After a lengthy discussion, motion made by Bob Bauer and seconded by Dave Bulling to support payment of the 2010 LEIN fees by Ionia County Central Dispatch. Motion carried by voice vote. All ayes.

Member Concerns

Pat Richard informed the Board that Trooper Mata, who was just recently assigned to the Ionia Post, is off indefinitely and should be removed from our rosters.

He also asked for discussion on the issue of the Ionia County Road Commission's response to the first snow fall of the season. After discussion, he stated that he would contact Dorothy Pohl to discuss his concerns.

Amanda Powell announced that this meeting would be her last as Commissioner appointed member. She spoke of the challenges and changes during her time on the Board. Jim Valentine

presented her with a Certificate of Recognition for her eight years of service to the Central Dispatch Advisory Board. Dave Bulling expressed his gratitude for her service to the Board.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Advisory Board will be an organizational meeting on January 5, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion made by Roland Self and seconded by Bob Bauer to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Rodriguez
Recorder