SIRCOMM JOINT POWERS BOARD

February 28, 2019

SIRCOMM Conf. Room

911 E Ave. H

Jerome, ID 83338

In attendance:

Commissioner Jack Johnson, Twin Falls County
Commissioner Mark Bolduc, Gooding County
Commissioner Rebecca Wood, Lincoln County- Via Conference Line
Hope Lindsey, Director Sircomm
Sean Tajkowski, Sircomm Tech. Advisor
Greg Vawser, Rock Creek Fire
Mariann Schiewe, Admin Sircomm
Cameron Dirks, Rock Creek Fire
Susan Tenney, CPA
Chief Casey Kelley, Shoshone Fire Dept.

James Pennington, MVP
Jackie Frey, Twin Falls County OEM

Meeting called to order 0902 hrs.

1. Public Comment: None

- **2. Correspondence:** Director Lindsey shared that Sircomm had been selected as Business of the Week by the Jerome Chamber of Commerce.
- 3. Action Item: Current Fiscal Statement/Invoices Presented for Payment:

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson for payment of invoices presented from the "B" Budget in the amount of \$12,424.15 Commissioner Bolduc second, all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson to approve payment of invoices for the "A" Budget in the amount of \$285.25 Commissioner Bolduc second, all in favor, motion carried.

4. Action Item: Approval of the Minutes from February 14th, 2019: Commissioner Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Commissioner Bolduc, all in favor, motion carried.

0905hrs, Commissioner Wood joined the meeting via conference line.

5. Radio & Tower Systems Update: Mr. Tajkowski gave an update on the reoccurring issues/repairs at the Hansen Tower Site regarding the electrical System and the Generator. It was noted that "Power Systems West" was currently on site working with Idaho Power to install new underground power lines at the facility. It was also shared that at this site due to lack of maintenance and age, a new generator system will be required and requested the Board to release funds to replace the current system. Information was shared with all present regarding the favorable results as the new system kicks in with radio service. Chief Kelley has been testing North of Shoshone where there has been no reception and it now has good reception and at the foothills, he reports, "it is crystal clear." Chief Peterson from Hagerman Fire shared that reception at 1000 Springs Resort is the best it has ever been. Sean noted that the static that occurs when driving from one area to another will go away once the system is fine-tuned by ADCOM in the coming weeks. A short discussion was held with all questions from the Board being answered by Mr. Tajkowski and the Director was given permission to move forward with the repairs at the Tower Site.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson to release funds no greater than \$11,500.00 from the general maintenance fund for replacement of the generator at the Hansen Tower Site. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Tajkowski continued with his field report regarding the modular and moving the center over to the modular. It was noted that the dispatchers found the arrangement in the modular to their liking and though there are some adjustments, the move has been uneventful, it's definitely an adjustment. A generator will be rented for backup power, as the portable generator is up at the Hansen site.

Sean, the Director and Ben Stephenson have agreed to purchase an upgrade in the firewall and router system which will include a yearly service and support agreement for the new system. This item was discussed and agreed upon by the Board.

6. Action Item- Dispatch Floor Resurfacing or Replacement: The Director restated what had been shared at the last Board meeting which was the need to replace the flooring in the dispatch center. The specialized tiles used on the dispatch floor are in need of replacement and that there were two options. Used ones could be purchased for about \$20.00 a tile or new tiles at \$55.00 per tile, and 360 tiles will be needed. So the cost would be \$7200 or \$19,800 more than originally anticipated, so this project has been put on hold. Commissioner Johnson asked how much time was

needed to make a decision, to which it was stated it depended on the availability of the flooring and it was stated that the project could be done in pieces so as to help absorb the costs with other options being offered. The Board asked to table a decision until the layout for the consoles was available before moving forward on the flooring.

- 7. Sircomm Vehicle Replacement Update: Three quotes were shared from Middlekauff, Goode Motors and Smith Chevrolet that the Director had received on a possible replacement vehicle and stated that Con Paulos actually came out to Sircomm and is working on a government quote with the required paperwork and she will keep the board informed on her progress.
- **8. Communications Officers Wages and Benefits:** The Director shared that as she prepares for the new budget year and in being competitive in the employment field, a request had been sent over to the Twin Falls dispatch center in order to compare pay scales/benefits and incentives for a dispatcher over at Twin Falls. Several applicants have stated that the beginning pay was much higher; however, the information has not yet been received.

The Commissioners stated that they would like to see the comparison also, and that a salary comparison chart should also be available from the state.

- **9. Deputy Director Position:** It was shared that there has been several applications from out of state and most are very qualified. Several of the local applicants shared once again, that with overtime at their current positions, they could not justify taking a pay cut for this position. There are currently six applications and the posting will close March 31st.
- 10. Center Report: The Director stated she would be meeting with the auditor today to complete the audit and the report should be available within the month.

Trainee, Tucker Ray, has moved onto Law and has been training with Angel. Five dispatchers will be attending the AMBER alert training a CSI next week, and Angel is attending a POST Certification Dispatch Instructor Class this week and will be certified to teach the POST classes here.

Zuercher has completed the admin and a personnel side of the program and is now working on the dispatch side. Due to the short staffing it has been difficult for the dispatchers to train on the floor or practice with the new program.

The Everbridge Contract is coming up for renewal and the Director is looking into more cost effective options, as Sircomm is currently incurring the cost for all four counties for this feature. The Director insured everyone, that if they moved to a different citizen's alert system that all data could be transferred over.

Gooding County is going to involve dispatchers in the every 15 minutes program at the High School this year. The Director stated she is attempting to meet with each county monthly to address any cares or concerns that have come up, as they do not attend the Operations Board Meetings. Commissioner Johnson stated that this is what the Operations Board was set up for and that it should really be up to them to get involved.

The Director also shared that working on the Q/A recordings it was discovered that the times received on the CAD from EIS are not the correct times on the actual incidents to which Mr. Pennington stated that he had already discovered upon reviewing many of the MVP calls. The actual times were way off after the cross referencing.

The Director shared kudos from the dispatch floor stating that they do an amazing job on a daily basis. On Monday they had two CPR's in progress and a pursuit with two trainees on the floor and that at the recent staff meeting, feedback on all of the changes has been very positive and they are excited about the future.

Commissioner Johnson noted that Twin Falls County Sheriff's office has proposed going to the Zuercher record management systems and he is in hopes that other entities will look into this system.

Next Meeting: March 14th, 2019 0900hrs

Meeting adjourned 1014 hrs.

The Board went into Executive Session at 1014hrs.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to move into executive session at 0945hrs Idaho Code 74 206 1 (a) (b). Commissioner Howell second. Roll Call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

Chairman Mark Bolduc	Director Hope Lindsey
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