



TAMA COUNTY

911 Services Department

The Tama County E911 Service Board and Emergency Management Commission held a joint meeting that was called to order at 6:33 PM on June 3rd 2020 by 911 Chairmen Boll (Toledo) and EMA Chairmen Jordan (BOS) .

Members present: 911 Members present; Sheriff Dennis Kucera, Gordon Fassett (Clutier), Billie Van Egmond (Dysart), Alicia Lidtke (Elberon), Matt Deam (Garwin) Via Zoom, Shaun Kennedy (Traer) via Zoom, EMA members present Sheriff Kucera, Mary Wankowicz (Dysart), Gordon Fassett (Clutier) Brian Sokol & Joe Boll (Toledo), Pete Holden & Carrie Holst (Traer) via Zoom.

Motion by Fassett second by Van Egmond to approve agenda for 911, Motion from Wankowicz second by Fassett to approve agenda for EMA all ayes, both motions carried.

Motion by Van Egmond, second by Fassett to approve meeting minutes from two meetings in April for 911 all ayes. Motion by Wankowicz second by Sokol, to approve meeting minutes for EMA from April, all ayes both motions carried.

Motion by Fassett, second by Dysart to approve 911 Claims, all ayes. Motion by Sokol second by Wankowicz to approve EMA Claims, all ayes, and both motions carried.

Chair Jordan opened the discussion to the EMA Commission members present about the current decision from the 911 board to split the 911 Director from the Emergency Manager position. Mindy has sent out a job description to EMA Commission Members. Wankowicz made the motion to split EMA from 911 and to accept the job description, second by Sokol. All ayes, motion carried.

Chair Boll opened up the discussion to the vacant, and new 911 Director Position. Sheriff Kucera advised the board that 3 applications were received, it was decided by the 911 Board to open up the application process for an additional 2 weeks. During those 2 weeks we received 2 additional applications. He did do background checks on all 5 applicants, one applicant called prior to the interviews and withdrew their application. He did call the remaining 4 applicants; one applicant did not return his two phone calls or email. The other 3 applicants did interview. There was discussion among the Board and Commission members present about the 3 prospective applicants. Jeremy Cremeans was chosen for the position. There was also discussion among the Board and Commission members regarding salary, decision was made of \$49,000 with a 6 month probation period. The board will meet with Jeremy and set some performance goals. At 6 months the Board will meet with Jeremy and discuss the goals that were set.

There was also a question posed by a Board member as to the hierarchy of staffing. Sheriff Kucera stated that the 911 Director will be in charge of Dispatch, and he will be there to oversee the 911 Director just as the board will be also. The 911 Director will oversee the 911 budget.

An update on the Tama County radio project was provided. The land for the towers will be legally signed off on next Monday by the Board of Supervisors and the land owners

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911 Staff

Director Mindy Benson

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Dispatchers –

Jackie Lasley
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will also be paid. The equipment has also been ordered and will then be delivered to the Marshalltown office and assembled there as well as tested. Towers should start to be constructed in July if things go according to plan.

There will also be a show and tell or sorts with the Fire, EMS and Law Enforcement agencies so they can see the radios, as well as a meeting to talk to them about the channels and what their needs are, as soon as we can get time to get together that isn't a health concern with COVID.

No Old Business

No New Business, Mindy discussed the Salamander ID machine that EMA will be obtaining with Healthcare coalition funding, as well as the EMPG-S grant that will help the county purchase PPE.

Next regular 911 Board meeting will be held Tuesday July 14th, 2020 at 630PM. Motion for adjournment by Fassett, second by Wankowicz meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM

Respectfully Submitted

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