

**GENESEE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CONSORTIUM**  
**Executive Board Meeting**  
**February 9, 2021**  
**Genesee County 9-1-1**  
**2:00 pm**

**Meeting will ONLY be available virtually via Microsoft Teams**

Conference Line: 1-810-230-4303

Conference ID: 640 216 603#

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Emmendorfer at 2:05 p.m.

**2. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

All participants were virtually present, via phone or online meeting portal.

**Members Present:** Thomas Spillane, Clayton Township; Karyn Miller, Flint Township; Fred Thorsby, Flushing Township; Paul Fortino, Gaines Township; Mark Emmendorfer, Montrose Township; Clyde Edwards, Flint City; Vicki Corlew, Mt. Morris City; Sam Stiff, Gaines Village; Meredith Davis, Genesee County; Dave Stamm, GC Sheriff

**Members Absent:** Scott Bennett, Grand Blanc Township; Ellen Ellenburg, Genesee County; Yvonne Brantley, MSP

**Others Present:** Ryan Volz, Tonya Ketzler, Chad Young, Wendy Jean-Buhrer, Ellen Glass, Jolena Sanders-Sims, Anthony Chubb, Spring Tremain, Tim Jones, Valerie Moore – recorder

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, MINUTES & ACCOUNTS**      **Chairman Emmendorfer**

- **Current Agenda – February 2021**
- **Executive Board Meeting Minutes – January 2021**
- **Accounts /Transaction List – January 2021**
- **Treasurers Report – January 2021**

**Action Taken:** Motion by Miller, support by Thorsby to approve the current agenda, January 12, 2021 meeting minutes, January accounts, and Treasurers report as presented.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane	Aye
Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Fortino	Aye

Emmendorfer      Aye  
Edwards            Aye  
Corlew             Aye  
Stiff                Aye  
Davis                Aye  
Stamm              Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**  
None

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Advisory Board Report**

**Chief Volz**

Chief Volz reported they are looking to fill 2 positions on the Advisory Board, one for Police and one for Fire. Their plan is to have both of these positions filled following the County Chiefs meetings at the end of this month.

Volz reported that the final revision of the Fire Dispatch policy has been agreed to and approved, the new policy is ready to go into effect.

**B. Operational Surcharge Update**

**Jones**

**1. Friends of 9-1-1**

Jones reported that the Genesee County Board of Commissioners have approved the ballot language and the draft was filed with the Clerk's office and approved.

We now need to resurrect the "Friends of 9-1-1" committee that will be able to help educate and promote the renewal, in the communities and with our representatives, so we can have a successful vote in May.

Jones stated that the committee will need to be filed with the Clerk's office, and they will need to name a Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary on the committee.

Emmendorfer asked Jones or Tremaine for information that can be published to their Websites or Facebook in order to help educate and answer questions on the renewal in the communities. Jones will provide a fact sheet to the members that lists facts about the surcharge and answers a few common questions.

Emmendorfer inquired if we were still pursuing a response from the Attorney General to clarify if we can reimburse the entities for our cost of the election. Attorney Chubb stated a formal request has been made, we certainly plan to stand by our statement that we will reimburse our share of the election cost. Chubb stated there are a few steps that this formal request must go through, and it would rely on the Attorney General agreeing to give that opinion in support of our request. If the Attorney General is not in agreement, there are other legal precedents to look into that could still allow us to move forward as planned.

Attorney Chubb stated that the campaign we are planning is strictly an educational campaign and will not be an advocacy campaign in any way.

Emmendorfer noted that at this time, from what he aware of the State has still not made any move towards the discussing the renewal of the State surcharge. As far as we know, we are the only ones that have made steps to secure a spot on the ballot to renew and secure our funding.

Tremaine stated that she is aware of the State having some brief commentary on this topic during a recent meeting. During that meeting it was mentioned they are looking at changing the formulas they use to calculating how the 911 funding is being divided for each county's allotment. There has been no decision made at this time, nor was the topic an agenda item during that meeting, simply mentioned in discussion.

Tremaine stated she cannot speak for any other PSAP's since they are all different, some may have mileages or surcharges, and some have a combination of the two and she is not aware of their situations or actions they have taken regarding the surcharge. Miller asked if the 'Friends of 9-1-1' committee that was formed years ago can be used again or does a new one need to be formed. Jones responded that it needs to be a new committee formed and filed with the Clerk.

Jones noted that the minimum positions needed would be a Chairman and a Treasurer at the time of filing.

Miller stated she is open to helping with the Treasurer position to help keep records for the committee, as long as she can do everything electronically.

Emmendorfer, Thorsby and Attorney Chubb also said they are willing to be involved and help where needed for the committee.

Jones mentioned a few ambulance companies have approached him and stated their interest in helping out with the campaign as well. Jones noted that all committee meetings will be planned virtually for now, he will keep everyone informed as we move forward.

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. MMRMA Renewal – Liability Policy**

**Tremaine**

Tremaine presented the MMRMA Liability Insurance policy renewal for the year. The policy renewal is \$79,290, which is an increase of \$700 over last year.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Thorsby, support by Miller to approve the payment of the invoice for MMRMA Insurance renewal in the amount of \$79,290.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane	Aye
Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Emmendorfer	Aye
Edwards	Aye

Corlew	Aye
Stiff	Aye
Davis	Aye
Stamm	Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

**B. Invoices (2)**

**Tremaine**

Tremaine presented an invoice for Equature, for the recorder system maintenance in the amount of \$12,000. This is the second year of a five-year agreement, and it is the same amount each year of the agreement.

Action Taken: Motion by Miller, support by Thorsby to approve payment of the invoice for Equature in the amount of \$12,000.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane	Aye
Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Emmendorfer	Aye
Edwards	Aye
Corlew	Aye
Stiff	Aye
Davis	Aye
Stamm	Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

**Action Taken:** Motion by Miller, support by Thorsby to approve payment of the invoice for Plante Moran in the amount of \$9,200.

Tremaine noted that the total Plante Moran bill will be \$11,000, once the audit is finalized and presented next month the remaining amount will be paid.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane	Aye
Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Emmendorfer	Aye
Edwards	Aye
Corlew	Aye
Stiff	Aye
Davis	Aye
Stamm	Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. 2021 Committee Positions Directory**

Tremaine provided an update of the Committee directory which includes the newest members. There are still 2 openings, one on the By-Laws Committee & Purchasing Policy Committee and another on the Technology Committee.

Tremaine said 'Thank-you' to everyone who has volunteered to be a part of the committees.

**8. DIRECTORS REPORT**

**Tremaine**

Nothing additional to add

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

**10. ATTORNEY REPORT**

**Attorney Chubb**

Nothing additional to add

**11. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Emmendorfer at 2:29 p.m.

**Next Meeting:**

**Membership & Executive Board Meetings**

**March 9, 2021 @ 2:00 pm**