

**GENESEE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CONSORTIUM  
Executive Board Meeting - Genesee County 9-1-1**

**June 8, 2021**

**2:30 pm or immediately following General Membership**

**Location: Grand Blanc Twp PD, 5405 Saginaw Rd, Flint**

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

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mark Emmendorfer at 3:13 pm.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

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

**Members Absent:** Clyde Edwards, Flint City; Yvonne Brantley, MSP

**Others Present:** Ryan Volz, Rick Freeman, Chad Young, James Young, Trevor Shaw, Anthony Chubb, Spring Tremaine, Tim Jones, Valerie Moore-recorder Mary Ann Price, Forest Township; Dan Eashoo, Genesee Township; Jolena Sanders-Sims, Mt Morris Township; Tonya Ketzler, Mundy Township; Keith Pyles, Richfield Township; Nancy Belill, Vienna Township; Andrea Schroeder, Davison City; Joseph Karlichek, Flushing City; Ellen Glass, Linden City

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, MINUTES & ACCOUNTS**

**Chairman  
Emmendorfer**

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

**Action Taken:** Motion by Thorsby, support by Corlew to approve the current agenda, May 11, 2021 meeting minutes, May accounts and Treasurers report as presented.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane	Aye
Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Bennett	Aye

Emmendorfer      Aye  
Corlew              Aye  
Stiff                Aye  
Davis                Aye  
Ellenburg          Aye  
Stamm               Aye  
**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

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

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Advisory Board Report**

**Chief Volz**

*Covered during General Membership:*

Chief Volz reported that during the Advisory Board meeting Director Tremaine discussed the 911 Center setting up the training room for CAD, and made a request known for a larger space that could accommodate around 30 trainees. Suggestions were made for Mott, or U of M campus, however the security of those spaces is questionable. Mott LERTA on Thompson Road was mentioned by Chief O’Dette but the timing of the LERTA Academy may not allow the use of that space. The designated space would need to be in a secure facility and be available for 6-8 weeks.

Volz reported that all RMS contracts have been sent out by 911 and they are waiting for the remainder to be signed and returned. During the meeting a few of the Police Chiefs relayed their concerns with the original contract, as well as the revised versions of the contract. The revisions made were based on a few municipality or agency requests sent to Tremaine and Attorney Chubb. Tremaine stated she would bring the contract to the General Membership for discussion.

Volz reported that a solution for MABAS support and update process was discussed since the way it is currently handled has ended. The 911 Center IT department would like this to remain as a standalone. Volz stated Wilkinson and Burdette will reach out to other MABAS divisions and other dispatch centers in the State of Michigan to see how they maintain and process updates.

Advisory Members agreed that the MABAS committee will be responsible for communicating with department heads and managing changes. The MABAS committee will go to Advisory Board, and if needed the Executive Board or General Membership for any issues they cannot resolve on their own.

EMS shortage reported on by Deputy Director Jones, along with some of the steps that 911 is taking to try to locate ambulances to respond to calls when they are in critical status.

Volz noted that he has received a few calls from other area Chiefs regarding the City of Flint Fire Departments use of fire main channel as an information channel. Jones will be looking into this with the City of Flint Fire Department.

Tremaine noted that she believes they will solve the MABAS concerns at the MABAS committee level and should not be a larger issue. Chief Volz agreed that this should be resolved at the MABAS committee level and anything that needs escalation will go to Advisory level before being brought further up to the Board.

**B. Genesee Township Tower Purchase/Lease**

**Tremaine**

*Covered during General Membership:*

Tremaine presented the purchase agreement for the Tower on Energy Drive. The Tower was sold or transferred to 911 by ERS at no cost.

Tremaine stated that we have made a proposal to Genesee Township to extend the property lease for another 10 years, beginning in 2024 with the same terms. The current 20-year lease is up in 2024, and the terms require us to negotiate a new lease 3 years prior to the lease end date. The Genesee Township property lease payment is \$1,000 a month.

Eashoo stated the lease proposal will be going in front of his board tonight for their action.

Tremaine noted that this was the last tower that was owned by an outside company, and now all of the towers are owned within Genesee County, which allows for the best control of our radio system.

Thorsby asked who would maintain the tower if ERS is no longer involved. Tremaine stated that all tower maintenance is performed through the State of Michigan (MPSCP), they are the only group authorized to work on the towers and this will continue.

**C. Tyler - Police RMS Contract**

**Chief Wiles**

*Covered during General Membership:*

Tremaine stated the revisions to the RMS contracts made were all very small sections, or single words and did not change the context of the contract. Attorney Chubb stated the contract is a base contract and intended as such. He is willing to consider any changes brought to him by a municipality as he understands that it will be difficult to have every single municipality agree to the same exact document.

Tremaine stated several details needed to be included in order to define specifics such as ownership of the licenses, software, data and equipment, when the municipality is in, and backs out, the cost and promise to pay, these basics need to be included and can't be watered down anymore.

Tremaine stated she is requesting the Board's recommendation on how to move forward with this.

Emmendorfer asked if Chief Volz could share some of the concerns that were brought up during the Advisory Board meeting. Volz noted that his understanding was that some of the smaller municipalities, it seemed very detailed and did not seem as simple as a 'promise to pay'. Another concern mentioned was the fact that there are several different versions being used among different municipalities and not one agreement. Tremaine stated in the end, the goal is to have a promise to pay from everyone that is joining.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. EMS Shortage**

**Bruce Trevithick**

*Covered during General Membership:*

Bruce Trevithick, with Genesee County Medical Control Authority. Trevithick stated that Med Control only has so much regulatory control over the ambulance companies, and can not dictate when, or how the ambulances respond to calls.

We are in a state of shortages as has never been seen before. The shortages of ambulances started in late October and is still an issue. Trevithick presented details on multiple issues that all play a part locally in the recent shortage of ambulances, specifically the EMS industry, the same issues are affecting areas well outside Genesee County and the State of Michigan.

Some of the proposed solutions that have been considered and implemented include response by Fire Departments for lift assists when possible to free up an ambulance, another change is that dispatchers will queue the lower level medical call until an available ambulance becomes available again.

Trevithick stated his goal is to make everyone aware and better informed on this current issue. There are several options still being considered, but it is not something that will be solved quickly or easily.

**B. Invoices Approval (3)**

**Tremaine**

Tremaine presented invoice for Rave Mobile Safety for \$25,900. This is a renewal of the second year, of a three-year contract for Smart 911 and Rave Alert system.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Thorsby, support by Bennett to approve payment of the invoice for Rave in the amount of \$25,900.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane	Aye
Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Bennett	Aye
Emmendorfer	Aye
Corlew	Aye
Stiff	Aye
Davis	Aye

Ellenburg           Aye  
Stamm               Aye  
**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

Tremaine presented invoice for Workers' Compensation Fund in the amount of \$9,200. This is down slightly from last year; it was \$9,300 in 2020.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Thorsby, support by Bennett to approve payment of the invoice for Workers' Compensation Fund in the amount of \$9,200.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane           Aye  
Miller             Aye  
Thorsby           Aye  
Fortino            Aye  
Bennett            Aye  
Emmendorfer      Aye  
Corlew             Aye  
Stiff               Aye  
Davis              Aye  
Ellenburg         Aye  
Stamm             Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

Tremaine presented a quote for the purchase of 10 MDC's from Presidio. This will be the second purchase of 10 new laptops so far. The previous laptops ordered are already being deployed as well as providing the extras on hand for IT when repair requests or replacements are needed.

This next set of laptops will be used initially in the training room for the CAD implementation and will be available for replacements to the field as necessary.

Tremaine requested that the Board provide approval to purchase the MDC's as needed, within the budgeted, approved amount of \$400,000. This amount was approved from the Technology Fund and was carried over to this year since none of the MDC's were needed or purchased during FY2020 following the approval.

A copy of the Technology Fund Treasurers report was provided showing details for the expense and approved budget amounts.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Thorsby, support by Bennett to purchase 25 more dell laptops from Presidio.

Discussion took place about the need for approval on another order in another month or two, if additional quantities are needed. Members noted it would be agreeable to allow Tremaine to purchase the MDCs, as necessary, up to the approved budget amount of \$400,000 to purchase the necessary laptops for operations.

**Action Taken:** Motion amended by Thorsby, support by Bennett to approve the purchase of the Dell laptops up to the \$400,000 as budgeted to maintain operations. Members stated the purchases of new MDCs should be made only as necessary considering the warranties will run out if they are purchased early and left in storage. Tremaine agreed the purchases will only be made for the laptops as needed to avoid excess being kept in storage.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane	Aye
Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Bennett	Aye
Emmendorfer	Aye
Corlew	Aye
Stiff	Aye
Davis	Aye
Ellenburg	Aye
Stamm	Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

**8. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. Genesee County Stakeholders Virtual Meeting – Integrated CAD/Mobile & RMS, June 21, 2021 at 10 am**

*Covered during General Membership:*

Tremaine noted that Genesee County Stakeholders meeting is open to anyone who would like to attend from Police, Fire or EMS. The virtual meeting will be led by Tyler and they would like to have discussion on the process they will be using for implementation. Meeting invitations were sent out and can be sent out again if anyone else is interested and did not get the invite.

**9. DIRECTORS REPORT**

**Tremaine**

Nothing additional.

**10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Tremaine noted there is a current request for the Labor Contract Committee to meet during the week of June 21 to review the union's demands before the next Union Negotiation meeting on June 30, 2021.

**11. ATTORNEY REPORT**

**Attorney Chubb**

Attorney Chubb presented his report to members.

**12. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

### **13. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Mark Emmendorfer at 3:38 pm.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Thorsby, support by Corlew to adjourn the meeting.  
**All Ayes, Motion Passes**

**Next Meeting:**

**Executive Board Meeting**

**July 13, 2021 @ 2:00 pm**