

**GENESEE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CONSORTIUM**  
**Executive Board**  
**Genesee County 9-1-1**  
**June 13, 2023**

**2:30 pm (immediately following General Membership)**

**Location: Harris Auditorium, Genesee County Admin Building**  
**1101 Beach Street, Flint 48502**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Thorsby at 2:07pm.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Thomas Spillane, Clayton Township; Jim Slezak, Davison Township; Fred Thorsby, Flushing Township; Paul Fortino, Gaines Township; Scott Bennett, Grand Blanc Township; Greg Fenner, Burton City; Vicki Corlew, Mt. Morris City; Richard Cronkright, GCSO; Charles Winfrey, Genesee County (arrived after initial roll call)

**Members Absent:** Karyn Miller, Flint Township; Sheri Wilkerson, Goodrich Village; Michelle Davis, Genesee County; Yvonne Brantley, MSP

**Others Present:** Brian Arnes, Connie Greene, Joe Karlichek, Joe Hyrman, Todd Pangle, Shirley Kautman-Jones, Alex Boros, Coetta Adams, Anthony Chubb, Tim Jones, Dave Plumb, Valerie Moore-recorder, Corissa Hull

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

- **Current Agenda –June 13, 2023**
- **Executive Board Meeting Minutes –May 2023**
- **Accounts /Transaction List – May 2023**
- **Treasurers Report –May 2023**

Jones requested the agenda be amended to add an item under 7. New Business, that would be 'D. New Venue Location – General Membership Meeting' and 'E. Postponement of July Meeting'.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Bennet, support by Slezak to approve the agenda as amended.

**All Ayes, Motion Passed**

**Action Taken:** Motion by Slezak, support by Fenner to approve the May 9, 2023, Executive Board meeting minutes, Accounts, Transactions, and Treasurer report for May 2023 as presented.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane Aye  
Slezak Aye  
Thorsby Aye  
Fortino Aye  
Bennet Aye  
Fenner Aye  
Corlew Aye  
Cronkright Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passed**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

None

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Advisory Committee Report - No meeting**

**Chief  
Wilkinson**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Invoice – Michigan Municipal League**

**Jones**

Jones reported that Michigan Municipal League invoice for \$14,960.00 is the premium for the renewal for the Michigan Municipal League Workers' Compensation Fund.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Slezak, support by Fenner to pay the invoice for Michigan Municipal League Workers' Compensation Fund in the amount of \$14,960.00 as presented.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane Aye  
Slezak Aye  
Thorsby Aye  
Fortino Aye  
Bennet Aye  
Fenner Aye  
Corlew Aye  
Cronkright Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passed**

**B. Admin Workstation: Quote**

**Jones**

Jones referenced the proposal for \$4,000 from last month to add to or amend the current Admin workstation. Jones noted that when the product picture was received from the

company quoting \$4,000, that it was not satisfactory to the needs. Jones presented a new quote with improved design that would fit the requirements to be done by Skutchi Designs. Total cost would be \$10,415 with an additional \$1,500 to \$1,800 for installation. Kautman-Jones noted OPO, located in Flint, outfitted the township and suggested we reach out to them for another quote.

Jones requested the approval of an amount up to the \$10,415 plus \$1,500 to \$1,800 for installation cost. Member asked if this included new chairs, Jones stated that this does not include chairs.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Bennett, support by Fenner to approve an amount up to the quote and labor cost for a new workstation, not to exceed \$12,000.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Spillane     Aye  
Slezak       Aye  
Thorsby     Aye  
Fortino      Aye  
Bennet      Aye  
Fenner       Aye  
Corlew      Aye  
Cronkright  Aye

**All Ayes, Motion Passed**

**C.     Flushing City – ECHO Unit**

**Jones**

Jones stated that he has met with the City of Flushing and Mayor Karlichek. Jones stated that a letter was received from Flushing City in reference to an EMS project they are starting. They are requesting that the Consortium purchase equipment for this project. Mayor Karlichek gave background on where they are with the project and why they are making this request. This would be a new service within their Fire Department that is a Paramedic and EMT service that will be staffed 24/7. This was approved through a special assessment. Mayor Karlichek stated that this is expected to be implemented by the end of September 2023. The city already has a vehicle. Mayor Karlichek is requesting four portable radios for paramedics, EMT and backup, two mobile radios and an MDC.

Thorsby noted this may set precedence moving forward with purchasing new equipment.

Jones referenced some history on requested and approved radios and MDCs in the past. Jones noted that this is not a budgeted item to make these purchases. He stated that it has been said to the agencies and Consortium that if vehicles are being added to the fleet, then that agency is responsible for the cost of those items. Jones pointed out that this is a new section to a fleet that is providing a different service. Jones gave a rough estimate of costs and noted that it has more than doubled since the original purchase. Fenner referenced that Mayor Karlichek noted there were three options before deciding on the ECHO Unit and wanted to know what the other two options were.

Mayor Karlichek stated the first option was a 24/7 paramedic transport ambulance service. The third option was to staff with two EMTs instead of paramedics. This was the last option due to the budget. The option of ECHO unit will still serve citizens with viable and highly trained professionals that could provide the necessary treatment while waiting for ambulance, while an EMT cannot.

*Charles Winfrey arrived to meeting, 2:29 pm.*

Bennett expressed a concern in regard to not having any spares. He suggested having spares on hand. Bennett recommended trying new models for the departments and giving the old ones to Flushing City for the ECHO Unit that way when the equipment is at the end-of-life we have tried the new equipment and if it works.

Jones stated we are at the five-year mark with equipment. He stated that we will have to start looking at replacements.

**D. New Meeting Location** **Thorsby**

Thorsby stated a request and recommendation has been from Ketzler, as well as other members to move the meetings to a location better suited to the entire Membership Board. Ketzler has offered the use of Mundy Township's Hall for the location and stated they have adequate space for everyone to attend.

Thorsby verified with Bennett that Grand Blanc Township would be available as a backup location if any of the meeting dates are unavailable at Mundy Township.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Bennett, support by Spillane to approve moving the regular location for the General Membership and Executive Board to Mundy Township facility, and Grand Blanc Township as an alternative.

**All Ayes, Motion Passed**

**E. Postponement – July 11 Meeting** **Thorsby**

Thorsby recommended to cancel the July meeting, in part due to attendance that may be low due to time of year. We are also trying to meet with Budget committee prior to August and September for Budget.

**Action Taken:** Motion by Slezak, support by Bennett to cancel the July Executive Board meeting.

**All Ayes, Motion Passed**

**8. OTHER BUSINESS**

**None**

**9. DIRECTORS REPORT** **Jones**

**Nothing to add.**

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

**11. ATTORNEY REPORT**

**Attorney Chubb**

**Nothing to add.**

**12. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Karlichek commented that he would like to find a way to help improve the attendance of our General Membership meetings. I would ask the representatives and members here today to consider ideas to help build future attendance of our Membership meetings.

Coetta Adams, Montrose Township Supervisor introduced herself to the Board.

Kautman-Jones noted that she has appreciated having the option to appoint an alternate to attend in her place when she is unavailable.

Thorsby noted that with the last update to By-Laws the option for an Alternate was added. Members simply need to make that appointment in their communities so they can still have voting representation at our Membership meetings.

Chubb noted that the Membership alternative can be an elected, or appointed for that Municipality, but cannot be a Police or Fire Chief.

Thorsby requested that Jones draft a letter to the Members with a reminder of the option to appointment an alternate representative, and request this from Members who do not already have an alternate.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Action Taken:** Motion by Bennett, support by Slezak to adjourn the meeting.

**All Ayes, Motion Passed**

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Thorsby at 3:05 pm.

**Next Meeting: August 8, 2023 @ 2:00pm**

**Executive Board**

**Location: Charter Township of Mundy,  
3478 Mundy Ave, Swartz Creek MI**