

GENESEE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CONSORTIUM
General Membership Meeting
Genesee County 9-1-1
December 12, 2023
2:00 pm

Location: Charter Township of Mundy
3478 Mundy Ave, Swartz Creek, MI 48473

MINUTES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Thorsby at 2:02 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Members Present: Shirley Kautman-Jones, Atlas Township; Thomas Spillane, Clayton Township; Jim Slezak, Davison Township; Vince Lorraine, Fenton Township; Karyn Miller, Flint Township; Fred Thorsby, Flushing Township; Mary Ann Price, Forest Township; Paul Fortino, Gaines Township; Scott Bennett, Grand Blanc Township; Coetta Adams, Montrose Township; Chad Young, Mundy Township; Brian Arnes, Richfield Township; Greg Fenner, Burton City; Doug Vance, Clio City; Andrea Schroeder, Davison City; Clyde Edwards, Flint City; Joe Karlichek, Flushing City; Wendy Jean-Buhrer, Grand Blanc City; Ellen Glass, Linden City; Todd Pangle, Montrose City; Vicki Corlew, Mt. Morris City; Sherry Moore, Goodrich Village

Members Absent: Brian Saad, Argentine Township; Dan Eashoo, Genesee Township; Jolena Sanders-Sims, Mt Morris Township; Rachel Stanke, Thetford Township; Sheryllynn Russo, Vienna Township; Adam Zettel, Swartz Creek City; Connie Greene, Gaines Village; John Ray, Otisville Village; Michelle Davis, Genesee County

Others Present: Alex Boros, Steve Sipes, Richard Cronkright, Jared Adams, Bob Kachline, Anthony Chubb, Tim Jones, Dave Plumb, Corissa Hull, Valerie Moore-recorder.

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

**Chairman
Thorsby**

Chairman Thorsby requested to add item 8.E. Committee Appointments to the agenda.

Action Taken: Motion by Bennett, support by Fenner to approve the agenda as amended.
All Ayes, Motion Passed

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **September 12, 2023**

Action Taken: Motion by Fenner, support by Bennett to approve the September 12, 2023 meeting minutes.

All Ayes, Motion Passed

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Advisory Committee Report

Chief Wilkinson

Chief Wilkinson reported that Director Jones had given status updates on the CAD upgrade, reviews by a few EMD Subcommittee members following vendor demos. Discussion on the 5-year budget projection, the new building project and the surcharge increase as well as possible funding for future technology purchases. Wilkinson reported the 2024 Advisory Committee meeting schedule was approved.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2024 Meeting Schedule

Jones

Thorsby presented the 2024 Board meeting schedule.

Action Taken: Motion by Bennett, support by Bennett to approve the 2024 Board meeting schedule as presented.

All Ayes, Motion Passed

B. 911 Surcharge Renewal/Five-Year Forecast

Jones

Jones reported that we have had several meetings with the Budget/Audit committee, and Shawna Farrell from Taylor & Morgan has been working on a 5-year projection to help come up with a plan for the surcharge renewal that will be up for a vote in late 2024. We asked Shawna to help project our 5-year plan to determine a figure we would need to request for an increase in the surcharge. Our goal is to ensure we continue to cover the cost of inflation with operating expenses, an increase in staff, as well as planning for the new 911 Center with the estimated cost of the new building plan that was recently provided by Gazall & Lewis.

Shawna Farrell presented the 5-year projection along with an extended ten-year projection with an increase of 50%, going from \$1.86 to \$2.79 for a ten-year period. If we consider the use of a 10-year bond for the building project, the surcharge increase to \$2.79 over a ten year period is projected to cover our operating costs along with paying the bond off in eight years. This projection also estimates that by year ten we will replenish our fund balance to approximately 2.6 million.

Bennett stated that during the Budget Committee meeting it was discussed that we are able to raise the surcharge to the max of \$3.00, however we would recommend going to \$2.79 knowing that there could be changes over the next 5 years to consider.

Miller asked if there was an update on what the City of Flint will be doing?

Edwards stated that all options are still on the table.

Miller inquired what percentage of workload is from the City of Flint and would the workload still require the increased number of staff.

Jones noted that currently this is about a third of our workload, but it is more dynamic, and it is not the heavy workload that the entire county has. If the City of Flint pulls out, that would be about one million twenty-five in funding that goes away. And yes, our staffing needs would not be as high.

Miller noted, I think this is something that needs to be taken into consideration when looking at forecasting. Jones agreed, this is a consideration.

Additional discussion on timing of project, additional costs, bond options and possible future projects withing the timing of the building project.

Bennett asked if a backup location plan was being considered with this project.

Jones stated yes, based on the building plans we have seen, this is being taken care of to the extent possible by the architects. As a reminder, we also just purchased equipment last year with a partial grant, which allows us to set up a remote call center in a matter of a couple hours if we have the need.

Action Taken: Motion by Karlichek, support by Benntt to approve a new surcharge amount of 2.79 for ten years.

Chubb noted that we will have a draft of the ballot language to be approved by our Board before going to the County Commissioners for their approval.

Roll Call Vote:

Kautman-Jones	No
Spillane	Aye
Slezak	Aye
Lorraine	Aye
Miller	No
Thorsby	Aye
Price	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Bennett	Aye
Adams	Aye
Ketzler	Aye
Arnes	Aye
Fenner	Aye
Vance	Aye
Schroeder	Aye
Edwards	Aye

Karlichek	Aye
Jean-Buhrer	Aye
Glass	Aye
Pangle	Aye
Corlew	Aye
Moore	No

19 Ayes, 3 No, Motion Passed

C. ACH Policy Update

Jones

Thorsby presented the listing of approved ACH vendors for with new vendors for the year.

Action Taken: Motion by Bennett, support by Miller to approve the updated list of ACH vendors for the new year.

All Ayes, Motion Passed

D. Executive Board Vacancy: Election

Jones/Chubb

Thorsby stated, with Vicki Corlew retiring from her position with the City of Mt. Morris at the end of December we will have an opening on the Executive Board.

Members thanked Vicki for her years of serving as City Manager, the Vice Chair for the Executive Board, and many other Committee involvement.

At this time, the only Member that stated interest in the position was Mayor Joe Karlichek in Flushing City. Thorsby asked if any other Members that hold a position in a City are interested in being a nominee. No other Members stated their interest.

Action Taken: Motion by Bennett, support by Miller to approve Joe Karlichek for the City position on the Executive Board.

Roll Call Vote:

Kautman-Jones	Aye
Spillane	Aye
Slezak	Aye
Lorraine	Aye
Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Price	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Bennett	Aye
Adams	Aye
Ketzler	Aye
Arnes	Aye
Fenner	Aye

Vance Aye
Schroeder Aye
Edwards Aye
Karlichek Aye
Jean-Buhrer Aye
Glass Aye
Pangle Aye
Corlew Aye
Moore Aye

All Ayes, Motion Passed

Corlew introduced Spencer Lewis, who will be replacing her as the City Manager for Mt. Morris, and the new representative for the 911 Consortiums General Membership.

E. Committee Appointments

Thorsby

Thorsby stated we had an opening on the Budget/Audit committee and Coetta Adams, Supervisor of Mt. Morris Township was appointed to be part of that committee. Thorsby stated, Adams is a good fit for this committee with her background as a finance director for many years.

Jones stated, at this time, we have several other vacancies on our committees to fill, along with the spots that Corlew held. In addition, we would like to increase the number of the Building and Grounds, since there will be a need for that committee with our building project. If you are interested in being on any of these committees, please email Thorsby so that he can fill the openings.

Action Take: Motion by Miller, support by Kautman-Jones to approve Adams for the Budget and Audit Committee.

All Ayes, Motion Passed

F. Closed Session: Tyler

Attorney Chubb

Action Taken: Motion by Bennett, support by Slezak to go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(e) to discuss pending litigation, specifically Genesee County 911 Consortium v. Tyler Technologies, Inc, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan Case No. 2023-cv-12104.

Roll Call Vote:

Kautman-Jones Aye
Spillane Aye
Slezak Aye
Lorraine Aye

Miller	Aye
Thorsby	Aye
Price	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Bennett	Aye
Adams	Aye
Ketzler	Aye
Arnes	Aye
Fenner	Aye
Vance	Aye
Schroeder	Aye
Edwards	Aye
Karlichek	Aye
Jean-Buhrer	Aye
Glass	Aye
Pangle	Aye
Corlew	Aye
Moore	Aye

All Ayes, Motion Passed

Entered Closed Session at 2:50 pm.

Action Taken: Motion by Slezak, support by Schroeder to return to open session.

All Ayes, Motion Passed

End Closed Session at 3:08 pm.

Action Taken: Motion by Bennett, support by Karlichek to accept the advice of the Genesee County Consortium Attorney regarding Genesee County 911 Consortium v. Tyler Technologies, Inc., and authorize the Executive Director to sign all necessary related documents.

Roll Call Vote:

Kautman-Jones	Aye
Spillane	Aye
Slezak	Aye
Lorraine	Aye
Miller	No
Thorsby	Aye
Price	Aye
Fortino	Aye
Bennett	Aye
Adams	Aye
Ketzler	Aye

Arnes Aye
Fenner Aye
Vance Aye
Schroeder Aye
Edwards - left meeting
Karlichek Aye
Jean-Buhrer Aye
Glass Aye
Pangle Aye
Corlew Aye
Moore Aye

20 Ayes, 1 No, Motion Passed

9. OTHER BUSINESS

None

10. ATTORNEY REPORT

Nothing additional to add.

Attorney Chubb

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Additional discussion on surcharge amount and time of renewal for 5 years or 10 years.

12. ADJOURNMENT

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

All Ayes, Motion Passed

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Thorsby at 3:20 pm

Next Meeting: Executive Board Meeting
January 09, 2024 @ 2:00 pm
Location: Charter Township of Mundy
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