

Cass County Public Safety Commission

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Minutes

November 23, 2009
Basement Meeting Room

Members present: Chuck Kinen, Steve Livengood, Kern Miller and Mitch Holmes
Staff present: Rob Koppert
Citizens present:

Vice - Chairperson Steve Livengood opened the meeting at 5:07pm.

MSC Kinen/Holmes to approve the agenda as published. Carried unanimously.

MSC Kinen/Holmes to approve the September 28, 2009 Minutes as amended, with the amendment to show the second of the motion to adjourn was made by Mitch Holmes instead of Chuck Kinen. Carried unanimously.

MSC Kinen/Miller to approve the September and October financial statements and bills. Carried unanimously.

TAC Rob Koppert gave his report and updated the Commission. The Cass County E911 Service Board heard presentations from two companies interested in bidding on the 911 telephone set upgrade in the communications center. Both Racom and Qwest presented and would be bidding. Bids were to be opened at the Cass County E911 Service Board meeting scheduled for 6:00pm November 23, 2009. TAC Koppert also reported that he attended a Next generation 911 (NG911) Seminar presented by Qwest and Positron in Des Moines. He also informed the Commission that the new uninterruptible power supply had been installed and set up. He also reported that a power line fuse opened on November 16th, causing power problems for the entire courthouse. TAC Koppert was called in at 7:05pm and upon arrival and determining the nature of the problem, switched the courthouse to the backup generator while Atlantic Municipal Utilities repaired the problem. TAC Koppert also updated the Commission on continued water problems in the radio building, and that the Cass County Board of Supervisors were considering the options on repairing the building.

In Old Business, Commission Member Kern Miller requested information on the liability of Emergency Medical Dispatch and re-instating the program, with specific information on how other counties that have EMD handle the liability and if they have a specific insurance rider. TAC Koppert will investigate the issue and report back at the December meeting.

In New Business, the Commission was presented with a proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2010/2011. The proposed budget is \$12,921 higher than the previous years for a 4.22% increase. The increases were in the line items of wages and benefits, mileage, training, IOWA System fees, Shieldware fees, and dues and memberships. The proposed increase in wages was listed at 3% and Commission Member Chuck Kinen indicated that the county was shooting for 0% increases this year. The Commission will study the budget at their December meeting after the new union agreement with the secondary roads department is finalized.

There were no comments or concerns brought by any citizens.

MSC Miller/Holmes to adjourn at 5:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rob Koppert". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rob Koppert, TAC
Recording Secretary