

Cass County Public Safety Commission

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Minutes

March 24, 2014
Basement Meeting Room

<u>Member</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Gaylord Schelling	Cass County		X
Mark Wedemeyer	Cass County	X	
Chris Jimerson	City of Atlantic	X	
Kathy Somers	City of Atlantic	X	
Ryan Askeland	City of Griswold	X	
Tom Harris	City of Anita - Primary	X	
Jeff Bohnsack	City of Anita - Alternate		X

Staff present: Rob Koppert

Citizens present: Mike Kennon

Vice Chair Chris Jimerson opened the meeting at 5:06pm.

M/S/C Harris / Askeland to approve the agenda as published. Carried unanimously.

M/S/C Harris / Askeland approve the June 2014 Minutes. Carried unanimously.

M/S/C Askeland / Harris to approve the June 2014 financial statements and bills. Carried unanimously.

911 Director and TAC Rob Koppert presented his Monthly Hour and Work-log Report. There were no questions by the Commission. He reported on recent employee discipline regarding a dispatcher. He also reported that the two vendors writing proposals for the radio console for the new communications center had requested an extension on submitting their proposals. The new deadline would be August 8th with scoring on August 13th. He was confident this would not set back completion of the new communications center. Koppert also reported on receiving a quote from Emergitech for a new NextGen911 System. He will be submitting a grant application to the State of Iowa to pay for a portion of this system. Finally, Koppert updated the Commission on the situation regarding CenturyLink and Intrado over the providing of ALI database services. He informed the Commission that representatives from both companies would be present at the Cass County E911 Service Board meeting at 7:00pm and invited Commission members not associated with the E911 service board to attend the meeting for informational purposes.

In business regarding the re-location of the communications center, 911 Director Rob Koppert informed the Commission that renovations would begin on August 4, 2014.

In Old Business, the Commission discussed the request from Atlantic Municipal Utilities to provide call center and monitoring services. The Commission discussed the proposed agreement and had a couple of concerns, particularly the wording (or lack thereof) of allowing either party to terminate the agreement within the first year. The proposed contract did have wording regarding either party being able to terminate the contract in subsequent years but nothing in the first. Another concern was the annual automatic renewal of the agreement.

Motion by Askeland to table discussing the agreement until the county attorney has had a chance to review it. Motion died for lack of second.

In further discussion, the amount of the fee for providing the service was discussed. There was a wide range of discussion with amounts varying from \$2000 per year to \$15000 per year.

M/S Askeland / Somers to accept the proposal with a fee of \$15000 per year. During the discussion, the range of the fee was discussed as well as a flat fee with a per call charge. Much of this discussion centered upon the information supplied by AMU regarding the number of calls received in a typical month. 911 Director Koppert suggested to the Commission that they act upon a range for a fee, and he would have the proposal reviewed by the county attorney.

Commission Member Askeland rescinded his motion.

M/S/C Somers / Wedemeyer to provide to AMU a fee range of \$4000 to \$15000 per year with the possibility of a \$100 per call charge. Ayes: Jimerson, Wedemeyer, Askeland and Somers. Nay: Harris. Motion Carried.

There was no New Business discussed.

There were no public comments or concerns.

MSC Askeland / Somers to adjourn at 5:58pm.

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