

JONES COUNTY 911 SERVICE BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

April 1, 2021

SERVICE BOARD MEMBERS

NV= nonvoting, **Bold lettering** indicates those in attendance at this meeting

Denny Coon	Oxford Junction	Jeff Swisher	Board of Supervisors
Mike O'Connor	Morley	Roxanne Tapken	Martelle
Kevin Rohwedder	Olin Fire District	John Machart	Anamosa
Rex Andrews	Madison Township	John Vacek	Wyoming (A)
Russ Benke	Onslow	Britt Smith	Monticello
Jacob Koch	Mechanicsville	Brandon Siggins	Lisbon
Bert Kraai	Cascade	Brenda Leonard	Jones County EMA
Jean McPherson	Olin (Ambulance)	Greg Graver	Jones County Sheriff

Sheila Frink NV Anamosa Area Amb. Jake Lindauer NV Lisbon/MtVernon Amb.

VISITORS in Attendance:

Mark Wood – Price Electric

911 Coordinator

Gary Schwab - Jones County 911 Coordinator

Chairman Coon called the meeting of the 911 Service Board Zoom meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Motioned by Machart, 2nd by Benke to approve the agenda. All Aye. Motion carried.

Past Minutes of March 4, 2021

Motioned by Swisher, 2nd by Machart to approve the minutes. All Aye. Motion carried.

Budget Report

Schwab reported financials through March: Fund balance stands at \$363,648.90 Revenue stood at \$186,672.51, Expenses stood at \$143,634.71.

Motioned by Swisher, 2nd by Machart to approve the budget report as presented. All Aye. Motion carried.

Generator Bypass Options – Clark Wood to address Board

Clark Wood with Price Electric discussed his conversation with Mike Chapman of Power Services regarding installation of a load center versus terminal blocks that would allow a quick connection of a portable generator should our generator fail. A simple option would be to install terminal blocks that would allow cables from a portable generator to be plugged into the blocks. To prevent back-feed into the main generator or into power lines, breaker switches would have to be thrown. The other safer and more reliable choice would be to install a load center (basically a transfer switch) that would have easily accessible connection ports and would provide the safest means of switching from one power source to the other while eliminating any potential for back-feed.

Motioned by Swisher, 2nd by Benke to have Schwab get quotes for a load center and installation costs. If the total is \$4000 or less to go ahead with the project. If the quotes are more than \$4000 to bring them to the board for the next meeting. This is all subject to BOS approval. All Aye. Motion carried

Other Items of Interest

Schwab passed around a copy of an email that announced that Cedar County approved a 7.8M bond issues to go to the SARA system. Chairman Coon wondered about the possibility of picking up their P25 VHF radios.

Sheriff Graver stated that the county law enforcement is pretty much ready to make the move to P25. Now waiting for four DNR personnel to get capability. Also need to get our parole officer P25 capability. Talked about fire departments. Those that have P25 radios can get the frequencies programmed in. Those without will not be able to hear Law enforcement traffic. Swisher noted that most new radios have the capability to scan state, SARA, P25, and regular VHF automatically.

Sheriff Graver also updated on the JETS building regarding installing the spare radio console for dispatch. He spoke to RC Systems about this possibility. Right now the JETS internet equipment/antennas are affixed to the building, but should not be. The equipment must be removed and a tower similar to the tower at the annex location will be needed for JETS and any sheriff's equipment. RC Systems is preparing a quote to hook up that equipment. The county will be tasked with that cost and the cost to enclose a room.

Motioned by Swisher, 2nd by Andrews to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. All Aye. Motion carried.

Next Meeting – May 6, 2021

Recorded by:

Gary Schwab

Jones County 911 Coordinator