

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Date: March 16th, 2021
Bowers Conference Room
Room 417, Rembert C. Dennis Building
10:00 am
(Members attending via WebEx)

Subject: Minutes of the South Carolina 911 Advisory Committee Meeting

Attendees: *Committee Members* - David Morrison - RFA SC 911 Program Manager, Rick Blackwell - PSAP Rep. Greenville County, Dent Adams - Wireless Rep. FTC, Adam DeMars - GIS Expert/RFA, Mike Flynn - PSAP Rep. Spartanburg County, Ben Spearman - Wireline Rep. Comporium, Jack Maguire - Consumer Rep., Tommy Paradise - SC Association of Counties, Neil Baxley - PSAP Rep. Beaufort County. *Staff* - Paul Athey - RFA Division Director, Michael Ball - RFA SC NG911 Program Manager, Amy Simpson - RFA SC 911 Program Coordinator.

- I. Chairman Blackwell called the meeting to order at 10:00am.
- II. Chairman Blackwell presented the February 16th, 2021 meeting minutes to the members and asked if any member had edits or questions. Neil Baxley made a motion to approve the minutes. Mike Flynn seconded the motion. All members voted aye in favor, and Chairman Blackwell declared the minutes approved as written. (*See attached*)
- III. National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week
 - A. David Morrison announced to the committee that the second full week in April is designated as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. The week is sponsored by APCO and celebrates Telecommunicators across the nation for the work that they do. At Mr. Morrison's request, Chairman Blackwell wrote a letter on behalf of the 911 Advisory Committee asking Governor McMaster for his support in declaring a proclamation in the State of South Carolina for Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. Mr. Morrison asked the committee for their recommendation that he forward Chairman Blackwell's letter to the Governor's office.
 - B. Chairman Blackwell asked the committee for their comments/opinions. All agreed that Mr. Morrison forward the letter on behalf of the committee to the Governor's office.
 - C. Tommy Paradise asked if any of the county councils throughout the state had adopted a resolution recognizing National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, and if so, could he get a copy of that resolution. Mike Flynn advised that he would forward a copy of Spartanburg County's resolution to Mr. Paradise.

IV. ESInet Implementation Update

- A. Michael Ball presented the committee with a power point presentation showing project updates for the groups that are slated for implementation through the end of calendar year 2021.
- B. Group 1 Project Updates: Kickoff Calls are scheduled for 3/31/21 & 4/2/21, with a tentative Solacom equipment ship date scheduled for 4/9/21. Also outlined in the presentation were group 1 tentative migration dates beginning in late June through the end of July 2021.
- C. Group 1.5 Project Updates: All state PSAP surveys and site visits were completed. ESInet and Solacom system orders were placed, and kickoff calls were scheduled for 3/31/21 and 4/2/21. Comtech site visits are scheduled for the week of March 23rd, and tentative migration dates for group 1.5 were scheduled during the month of August 2021, immediately following group 1.
- D. Group 2 Project Updates: New tentative migration dates were assigned. Group 2 was originally scheduled for the November/December 2021 timeframe; however due to the holidays, the new target dates are slated for October/November 2021. State PSAP surveys and site visits have been completed and ESInet & Solacom system orders are planned for April 2021.
- E. Lastly, the presentation outlined an updated combined PSAP onboarding schedule showing ESInet and Solacom activity including target dates.
- F. Chairman Blackwell thanked Mr. Ball for his presentation and asked the committee members if they had any questions for Mr. Ball. Hearing none, Chairman Blackwell moved to the next agenda item.

V. Fiscal Update

- A. Paul Athey presented a financial status update of the wireless 911 fund to the committee. The February 2021 activity statement was emailed to the committee members prior to the meeting.
- B. Mr. Athey noted two transactions were in process when the month of February closed which will be posted on the March 2021 activity statement. He also stated the fund should reflect a lower balance after two NG911 invoices likely process in the month of March.
- C. Charmain Blackwell asked if there were any questions of the committee. Hearing none, he moved to the next item on the agenda.

VI. Other Items and Questions

- A. Chairman Blackwell asked if there were any other items or questions from the committee or RFA staff; there were none.

VII. Adjournment

A. Mike Flynn made the motion to adjourn. Neil Baxley seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:13am.

Attachments: Agenda, Meeting Materials

Public Notice of this meeting was posted at: <http://rfa.sc.gov/e911>

These minutes were approved on 4/20/21.

Amy Simpson 