

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Date: July 20th, 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* – Dent Adams – Wireless Rep. FTC, Neil Baxley – PSAP Rep. Beaufort County, Rick Blackwell – PSAP Rep. Greenville County, Adam DeMars – GIS Expert/RFA, Mike Flynn – PSAP Rep. Spartanburg County, Mitch Fulmore – PSAP Rep. Florence County, David Morrison – RFA SC 911 Program Manager, Ben Spearman – Wireline Rep. Comporium. *Staff* – Paul Athey – RFA Division Director, Michael Ball – RFA SC NG911 Program Manager, Geoff Johnson – RFA GIS Manager, Amy Simpson – RFA SC Wireless 911 Program Coordinator.

- I. Chairman Blackwell called the meeting to order at 10:00am. He asked that the committee and attendees keep Jack Maguire in their thoughts and prayers as he recovers from open heart surgery.
- II. Chairman Blackwell presented the June 15th, 2021 meeting minutes to the members and asked if any member had edits or questions. Dent Adams made a motion to approve the minutes. Neil Baxley seconded the motion. All members voted aye in favor, and Chairman Blackwell declared the minutes approved as written. (*See attached*)
- III. ESInet Implementation Update
 - A. Michael Ball presented the committee with project updates for the groups that are slated for implementation through the end of calendar year 2021.
 - B. Group 1 Project Updates: Currently most activities are on hold awaiting select vendor task completion. Equipment and circuit installations have been completed. Migration dates will have to be adjusted once all vendor tasks have been completed. Group 1 is now tentatively scheduled to migrate during Q4 2021. GIS/MSAG/ALI data collection and modification will continue as needed.
 - C. Group 1.5 Project Updates: Most activities are also on hold for group 1.5. Final circuit installations have been postponed until vendor tasks are completed. GIS/MSAG/ALI data collection and modification will continue. Migration dates have been adjusted and are tentatively scheduled to begin in Q1 2022.
 - D. Group 2 Project Updates: As with the previous groups, most activities are also on hold for group 2. Circuit surveys are continuing. RFA staff are continuing PSAP consultations as needed. Migration dates have been adjusted and are tentatively scheduled to begin Q1/Q2 of 2022.

- E. Next Steps: RFA staff are continuing to consult with other states who have already implemented NG911 solutions concerning roadblocks they encountered throughout the process. Alabama was particularly helpful with information and guidance as they experienced some of the same vendor issues as South Carolina. RFA staff will be hosting select vendor discussions as needed (i.e. PSAP vendors, local exchange carriers, etc.) in order to be kept up-to-date and informed. Migration dates will need to be expanded in order to coordinate with certain vendor requirements. The goal is to ensure the same number of PSAP's will still go-live each year.
- F. Neil Baxley asked what the vendor issues/roadblocks were. Mr. Ball explained there have been problems with vendors providing firm commitments regarding completion dates for certain actions that must take place for the project to be successful. Chairman Blackwell and Mike Flynn added that if any issues pertained to certain vendors being reluctant to work with other vendors that the committee be made aware.

IV. Fiscal Update

- A. Paul Athey advised that due to the fiscal year end processing, the June 2021 activity statement was not available prior to today's meeting. He stated that he would provide that information to the committee as soon as it became available. Chairman Blackwell understood and thanked Mr. Athey.

V. Other Items and Questions

- A. Chairman Blackwell asked Mike Flynn if he had an update on the sub-committee he agreed to assemble in order to provide recommendations for error notification regarding outages.
- B. Mr. Flynn advised that David Morrison reached out to him and set up a meeting with Dennison Coomer who manages the Bridge for Public Safety application for several PSAPs throughout the state. Additionally, Mr. Flynn has reached out to other state PSAP managers asking for feedback on solutions they've used in order to have options for comparison. He hoped to have more information to report at the next committee meeting.
- C. Chairman Blackwell stated that this agenda item was intended for committee members only; however, if there were members of the PSAP community in attendance that had any valuable information they'd like to share with the committee to please do so. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

VI. Adjournment

- A. Mike Flynn made the motion to adjourn. Mitch Fulmore seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:59am.

Attachments: Agenda, Meeting Materials

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

These minutes were approved on 8/17/21.

Amy Simpson 