



MINUTES

QCOMM911 BOARD

MEETING

Wednesday, September 13, 2023
8:30am

Present

City/Village Administrator: Steve Seiver, Milan
Mark Rothert, East Moline
Bob Vitas, Moline- Absent

Public Safety Representatives: Chief Ramsey, East Moline PD
Chief Johnson, Milan PD- Absent
Chief VanKlaveren, Silvis PD
Chief Regenwether, Moline FD- Absent
Chief Gault, Moline PD

QCOMM911 Director: Scott Ryckeghem

Others: Margo Sparbell- QCOMM, Captain Kratt- EMPD, Captain Radosovich-
Milan PD

1. Meeting Called to Order- Chief VanKlaveren called the meeting to order at 8:31am

2. Roll Call of Members- All of the above members were present with Chief Regenwether, Chief Johnson and Bob Vitas absent. Chief Gault sat in as the voting member for Moline.

3. Approval of Minutes- Steve Seiver made a motion to approve the Minutes from the August 9, 2023 regular meeting. Chief Gault seconded, all in favor, the motion carries.

4. QCOMM911 Staffing- Director Ryckeghem reports that there are currently 23 TC's, 2 in training, and 2 Admin. One trainee should be ready the first week in October. Two candidates will be starting on October 2nd which will make us fully staffed.

5. QCOMM911 Operations- Director Ryckeghem reports that CAD calls for service for August 2023 were 10,940 which was up from 10,385 in 2022 and 10,035 in 2021.

Margo was relentless and was able to get Paragon to replace four of the unserviceable chairs with new models. This saved around \$5,000 worth of replacement costs. Thank you, Margo. Moline/East Moline/CCU full-scale drill was done on August 9th.

Margo and 2 TC's assisted with the drill, running communications from the command bus. The QC Airport drill was completed on August 24th. Our end of the MABAS dispatching went off without a hitch.

Two days were spent working with Racom to get three of the volunteer agencies onto the G2 Fire Paging system. Silvis, Hampton, and Carbon Cliff/Barstow are now live with the G2. Racom will need to touch all VHF pagers prior to moving everyone to the county-wide dispatch channel.

Chief Vanklaveren invited Scott and Margo to participate in the Silvis School District Emergency Planning meeting, and we will be part of those meetings going forward. Silvis has installed Zero Eyes in their schools which is gun detection software that utilizes the existing camera systems and alerts staff and authorities. We were able to get the Zero Eyes alerts to be sent as a text message to our QCOMM cell phone for the early warning message along with follow up phone calls to the center.

Quotes for service were sent to Coal Valley, Coyne Center, and Reynolds for their review.

6. QCOMM911 Expenses- Director Ryckeghem reports expenses for August 2023 in the amount of \$7,813.30. All 4th Quarter invoices have been sent out. Director Ryckeghem presented an updated FY2024 Budget Proposal. This proposal included an increase in two line-items that would require removing \$1,834 from reserves in order to maintain a 2.5% increase. Steve Seiver suggested that rather taking funds from reserves two years in a row, that amount should be divided between the core agencies, especially since it was such a small amount. Director Ryckeghem countered that rather than pass additional costs onto the agencies, that he could cut the \$1,834 from the travel and training lines in the budget. Steve Seiver made a motion to approve the FY2024 Budget with the proposed cuts to the travel and training lines in the budget, Chief Gault seconded. Following a roll call vote, the motion is approved and the FY2024 Budget is approved with a 2.5% increase.

7. Public Comment- None

8. Other- Chief Gault requested on behalf of Bob Vitas that the meeting times be moved back to a 9am start time. Chief Vanklaveren also proposed that meetings be changed to bi-monthly. With everyone in agreement that should there be any pressing business, a monthly meeting could be scheduled if necessary, Chief Gault made a motion to move the meetings to bi-monthly at 9am. Mark Rother seconded, all in favor, the motion carries. Meetings will be moved to 9 am on the first Wednesday of every other month.

9. Executive Session- None

10. Action from Executive Session- None

11. Adjournment- Having no further business to discuss, Chief Gault made a motion to adjourn, Mark Rother seconded, all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49am