

Cowlitz 911 Public Authority Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 10:00

Hybrid – Cowlitz 911 & Zoom

Attending:

Board Members and Alternates: Bill LeMonds, Brad Thurman, Jim Kelly, Scott Goldstein, Jim Duscha, Alan Headley, Rick Dahl, Darr Kirk, Charlei Worley, Andy Hamilton, Troy Brighbill, Robert Huhta, Jon Dunaway, Erik Halvorson(virtual)

Staff: John Diamond, Dannyka Baker, Don Turrentine, Jerry Jensen, Jessica Weygandt

Guests: Vic Leatzow, Mike v., Jason Kester

1. Call to order and introductions:

Sheriff Thurman introduced new Fire Chief Vic Leatzow and new Longview Interim City Manager Jim Duscha.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Chief Huhta to approve the agenda, seconded by Chief Kelly; all in favor, motion carried.

3. Approval of meeting minutes:

Motion by Chief Lemonds to approve the March 20, 2024, minutes as presented, seconded by Manager Hamilton; all in favor, motion carried.

4. Public Comment:

Sheriff Thurman opened the floor for public comment; no comments made.

5. Payables:

Motion by Chief Kelly to approve payables as presented, seconded by Commissioner Headley; all in favor, motion carried.

6. Financial Report:

Budget Finance Manager Jessica Weygandt presented the finance report.

7. Board Committee Reports

Law TAC – Chief Deputy Brightbill reported that the Law TAC had met, and conversation centered around radio project and GeoComm project.

Fire TAC – Chief Koreis, same report from Fire.

8. Guild / Cowlitz 911 Memorandum of Understanding regarding adding the Dispatch Floor Supervisor Classification into the Bargaining Unit.

Motion by Commissioner Headley to approve the MOU with the Guild for the supervisor positions, seconded by Manager Hamilton; all in favor, motion carried.

9. AdComm presentation and proposal:

AdComm principal and owner, Susan Ronning presented the findings report.

The board table the proposal for a rewrite regarding next steps with a focus on more urgent solutions for existing system.

Motion was not made nor seconded.

10. Director's Report:

Director Diamond reported 16 dispatchers on the schedule. One more signing off training later this morning. Another progressing well through training. We have seven fulltime and one parttime non-represented staff. Two non-represented staff on extended leave.

We are in the midst of National Telecommunicator week. Dannyka has done a tremendous job recognizing and celebrating the dispatchers.

Calltaker of the year award for day shift was given to Tara Huhta having answered 10,540 calls.

Calltaker of the year award for night shift was given to Anna Laudenschlager having answered 6,099 calls.

Updated board on work with Motorola and our first successful map push since July. Working with Moto and GeoComm for future use and work.

11. Old Business:

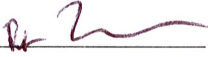
No old business was discussed.

12. Executive Session: RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) Evaluation/Performance of a Public Employee

The executive session began at 11:18 for ten minutes. The executive session was extended from 11:28 for ten minutes. The executive session ended at 11:38. No decisions were made.

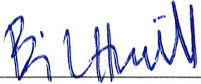
13. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 11:40.



Brad Thurman, Board Chair

Attest:



Briana Harvill, Clerk of the Board