# **Cowlitz 911 Public Authority Board of Directors**

Meeting Agenda Wednesday February 19<sup>th</sup>, @ 10:00 AM Hybrid – Cowlitz 911 & Zoom

- 1. Call to Order and Introductions
- 2. Approval of the Agenda Board Action

**Recommended Action:** A motion to approve the agenda as presented.

- 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes Board Action
  - A. 01/15/2025 Meeting Minutes

**Recommended Action:** A motion to approve the meeting minutes from 01/15/25.

- 4. Public Comment
  - **A.** The public comment period allows any member of the public to speak to any item that is not on the regular agenda. There is a time-limitation of 3 minutes. All comments should be directed to the Chair.
- 5. OPMA Training Reminder
- 6. Payables Board Action

The following transactions are approved as presented

ACCOUNT	TRANS NUMBER	AMOUNT
Payroll 01/17/25	60-101	\$161,613.99
Claims 01/23/25	107-133	\$520,260.89
Claims 01/30/25	134-135	\$15,970.04
Payroll 02/05/25	136-173	\$167,381.71
Claims 02/13/25	177-209	\$65,330.08
TOTAL		\$930,556.71

**Recommended Action:** Motion to approve the payables as presented.

- 7. Annual Report see attachment
- 8. Board Comments/Board Committee Reports
  - A. LAW TAC Update
  - B. FIRE TAC Update
- 9. Director's Report
  - A. Staffing Update
  - B. Climate & Culture
  - C. Radio Project Update
    - i. Generator RFP Board Action
- 10. Old Business: If needed
- 11. Executive Session: If needed
- 12. Adjournment

# **Cowlitz 911 Public Authority Board of Directors**

# Meeting Minutes Wednesday January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 10:00 AM Hybrid – Cowlitz 911 & ZOOM

#### Attendance

**Board Members:** Erik Halvorson; Rich Fletcher (alternate, voting); Alan Headley; Brad Thurman; Robert Huhta; Bill LeMonds; Ralph Herrera; Jim Duscha; Rick Dahl

**Staff:** Briana Harvill; Dannyka Baker; Deanna Wells; Darr Kirk; Jerry Jensen; Jessica Weygandt; Frank Randolph (general counsel); Michelle Arrowsmith, Justin Stennick

Guests: Charlie Worley, Scott Goldstein, Troy Brightbill; Vic Leatzow; Rob Castro, Brad Hannig, Robert Gibbs, Roberto Cuneta

**Board Members Absent and No Alternate:** 

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Thurman called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

## 2. Approval of the Agenda

**Recommended Action:** A motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Duscha made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Huhta seconded; all in favor, motion carried.

## 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

## A. December 18, 2024, Meeting Minutes

**Recommended Action:** A motion to approve the meeting minutes from December 18, 2024, Meeting Minutes.

Headley made a motion to approve the 12/18/2024 meeting minutes as presented. Halvorson seconded; all in favor, motion carried.

## 4. Public Comment

The public comment period allows any member of the public to speak to any item that is not on the regular agenda.

#### 5. Elect New Board Officials

Halvorson nominated Huhta to be the Board Chair. Duscha made a motion to appoint Huhta as the Board Chair. Headley seconded; all in favor, motion carried.

Thurman nominated Headley to be the Vice Chair. Duscha made a motion to appoint Headley as the Vice Chair. Halvorson seconded; all in favor, motion carried.

## 6. Payables:

ACCOUNT	TRANS NUMBER	AMOUNT
Payroll 12/20/24	1602 - 1638	\$156,454.95
Payroll 01/03/25	01 - 37	\$147,317.37
Claims 12/12/24	1572 - 1598	\$548,861.35
Claims 12/26/24	1641 - 1654	\$473,072.50
Claims 12/31/24	1658 - 1667	\$42,908.24
Claims 01/09/25	40 - 59	\$179,131.12
Void Warrant 11/14/2024	13389	-\$1,690.69
Void Warrant 11/19/2024	13303	-\$125.00
Void Warrant 12/30/2024	13486	\$0.00

TOTAL \$1,545,929.84

**Recommended Action:** Motion to approve the payables as presented.

Duscha made a motion to approve payables as presented. Headley seconded; all in favor, motion carried.

7. Finance Report – Sales tax was higher than expected and have some user fees that are not captured on this report due to just receiving them. Invoices were sent out later than normal due to Jessica being out on leave. These are the final expense numbers for 2024.

## 8. Board Comments/Board Committee Reports

- **A.** LAW TAC Update: Met on January 7<sup>th</sup> and Brightbill was voted back as Chair and Marthaller was voted as Vice Chair. CCSO on call admin numbers have been updated. Closer codes on call being wrong affects the cases for law enforcement. Discussed new radio procedure guidelines for law enforcement.
- **B.** FIRE TAC Update: Met on January 14<sup>th</sup> and discussed several topics. Will be implementing status checks when law enforcement isn't present and will occur every 20 minutes while on scene. Will be making an edit to the Fire Manual to reflect Medix in place of AMR. Fire would like 911 to use dispo codes like law enforcement, currently looking into this.

## 9. Director's Report

- **A. Staffing Update:** At the next meeting we will have an end of year report. The academy for the 3 new hires begins on February 11<sup>th</sup>. There will be a meet and greet in the Command Center on February 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM.
- **B.** Climate & Culture: With the supervisors on the floor and the work Michelle A. has done, we have become a cohesive group.
- **C. Radio Project Update:** The microwave/antenna project is ready to begin, and we are currently procuring a tower study to get the towers rated for additional loads as well as evaluating for safety to climb. When those studies are completed, the work will begin on the lower towers first and completion will depend on the spring snowpack. All the materials for this phase are either at the tower sites or stored at Day Wireless. The radio bid process is still ongoing. The original bid did not include our back-up radios or repeat only sites, and we believe it is critical to include these. We are working through these additions to the bid but expect the radio phase timeline to align with the microwave phase. Since our Radio Manager, Justin Stennick, started on December 26<sup>th</sup>, he has begun a comprehensive mapping, inventory and tracking system for our radio network. His first day was on December 26<sup>th</sup>, which was the weather event that disrupted the radio for Kelso and Longview PD. It was discovered that the antenna on top of the HOJ was damaged and had to be re-secured to the tower.

10. Old Business: N/A11. Executive Session: N/A

**12. Adjournment:** 10:22 AM

Attest:
Briana Harvill, Clerk of the Board

Time: 12:39:30 Date: 02/14/2025

01/17/2025 To: 01/17/2025

Page: 1 Trans Date Type Acct # Chk# Claimant Amount Memo 88 01/17/2025 **Payroll** 1 EFT COWLITZ COUNTY TREASURER'S 31.157.01 941 Deposit for Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 - 01/17/2025 OFFICE (IRS) 01/17/2025 Pavroll 1 13511 MICHELLE SIMS 3,463.07 81 NOT FINALIZED 1 89 01/17/2025 **Payroll** 13512 ESD - PFMLA **NOT FINALIZED** 90 01/17/2025 **Payroll** 1 13513 FSD-LTC 91 01/17/2025 Pavroll 1 13514 ESD **NOT FINALIZED** 01/17/2025 1 650.64 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 92 **Payroll** 13515 KAISER PERMANENTE 01/17/2025 - MEDICAL-KAISER MEMBERSHIP ADMIN 93 01/17/2025 1 13516 WASHINGTON STATE DEPT OF **NOT FINALIZED Payroll** 181 94 01/17/2025 **Payroll** 13517 WASHINGTON STATE DEPT OF 17.336.93 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 - PSERS2; Pay Cycle(s) RETIREMENT 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 PERS2; Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 - PERS3 12,425.62 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 95 01/17/2025 Payroll 13518 WCIF 01/17/2025 - MEDICAL-WCIF; Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 - LIFE INS BUYUP; Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 - AD-D BUYUP 60 01/17/2025 **Payroll** 2 JONATHAN C AGUIRRE 2,607.68 FFT 2 01/17/2025 Pavroll MICHELLE R ARROWSMITH 3,843.11 61 2 62 01/17/2025 **Payroll EFT** DANNYKA BAKER 1,691.54 63 01/17/2025 Payroll 2 EFT KATIE M COSGROVE 2,666.18 2 01/17/2025 Pavroll KATHRYN DAVIS 2,680,39 64 2 **Payroll** 65 01/17/2025 EFT JOSHUA EVALD 3,081.55 2 66 01/17/2025 **Payroll** EFT MISTI GIBBS 2,500.92 2 67 01/17/2025 **Payroll** MARIA GILBERT 2,963.49 2 68 01/17/2025 **Payroll BRIANA HARVILL** 2,536.06 2 69 01/17/2025 **Payroll** FFT TARA HUHTA 2.803.05 2 70 01/17/2025 **Payroll** EFT **JERRY JENSEN** 3,843.10 71 2 01/17/2025 **Payroll** EFT 2,794.83 JEREMY KIRK D 2 72 01/17/2025 **Payroll** ANNA LAUDENSCHLAGER 4.239.86 2 73 01/17/2025 **Payroll** JULIA MARTIN 2,722.42 2 74 01/17/2025 Payroll ANDREA R MATZKE 2,166.39 2 75 **Payroll** 01/17/2025 TRACEY MORSE 3,264.87 2 **Payroll** 76 01/17/2025 **ASHLYN MUNSON** 2,237.65 2 77 01/17/2025 **Payroll** TRISTA OJALEHTO 2,643.56 78 **Payroll** 2 01/17/2025 SAMANTHA PERRY 3,563.74 2 79 **Payroll** 01/17/2025 KAYLEE SCHAEFER 2,735.16 2 80 01/17/2025 **Payroll** ROBERT SCHAEFER 3,246.08 2 82 01/17/2025 **Payroll BRANNON STARR** 2,619.83 83 **Payroll** 2 01/17/2025 JUSTIN J STENNICK 3,715.77 2 84 01/17/2025 Pavroll **REBECCA SWANSON** 3,006.59 2 85 01/17/2025 **Payroll** EFT **DON TURRENTINE** 4,595.19 2 86 01/17/2025 **Payroll DEANNA WELLS** 3,638.61 2 87 01/17/2025 **Payroll** JESSICA M WEYGANDT 2,401.36 2 96 52.50 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 Payroll EFT **CAPSCO** 01/17/2025 - ASSN FEE 780.00 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 97 01/17/2025 2 **COWLITZ 911 EMERGENCY** Payroll 01/17/2025 - UNION DUES; Pay **SERVICES ASSN** 

- INITIATION FEE

Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025

Executive Director, Signature

Board Chair, Signature

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COWLITZ 911 Time: 12:39:30 Date: 02/14/2025 01/17/2025 To: 01/17/2025 Page: Trans Date Type Acct # Chk# Claimant Amount Memo 2 98 01/17/2025 **Payroll** EFT EMPOWER TRUST (401A) 1,713.55 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 - 401a Plan 99 01/17/2025 Payroll 2 EFT EMPOWER TRUST (457B) 4,325.69 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 - DEF COMP 2 100 01/17/2025 **Payroll** EFT HRA VEBA 8,475.00 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 - VEBA 101 01/17/2025 **Payroll** 2 EFT REHN AND ASSOCIATES 425.00 Pay Cycle(s) 01/17/2025 To 01/17/2025 - HSA 001 OPERATIONS 161,613.99 161,613.99 Payroll: 161,613.99 **CERTIFICATION:** I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the information listed has been provided to me as described herein and that I have issued payment as directed and received by Cowlitz 911. Brandi Ballinger, Signature Agency Date CERTIFICATION/AUTHORIZATION: I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered or the labor performed as described herein, that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against Cowlitz 911, and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim. We have reviewed the claims listed in this report and we approve payment with our signatures below. Budget Finance Manager, Signature Date

Date

Date

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01/23/2025 Claims

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1,550.00 Inv 40802

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107	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13519	COMCAST BUSINESS	4,901.20 INV 230335439	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	230335439		4,901.20	01	25 ACTIVECORE/ETHERNET/	CYBER SECURITY AT OBH AND HALL	
108	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13520	COWLITZ 2 FIRE & RESCUE	11,250.00 INV 25-001	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	25-001		11,250.00	JA	N - MAR 2025 FINANCIALSEI	RVICES AGREEMENT	
109	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13521	COWLITZ 911 ADVANCED 1	RAVEL 622.40 CK 2021 A.MATZKE	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	CK 2021		622.40	A.	MATZKE TELE 1 TRAINING 1/	13-17/25 MEALS	
110	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13522	COWLITZ COUNTY B&P	17,219.80 INV B&P 25-01	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	B&P 25-01		17,219.80	20	24 GIS DATA FROM COUNTY		
111	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13523	COWLITZ PUD	507.12 ACCT 4745063 0125; ACCT 4737086 1224	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	4745063/012		302.76	12	/03/24-01/06/25 POWER AT	1600 BAYSWATER	
	4737086/122	4	204.36	11	11/18/24-12/16/24 POWER AT 540 OSWALT		
112	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13524	GEOCOMM	88,542.03 INV 146949	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	INV146949		88,542.03	N	G9-1-1 AND MAPPING UPDA	TES	
113	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13525	KEYS PLUS INC	15.93 INV 3027; INV 3026	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	3027		5.39		Y HOJ RADIO		
	3026		10.54	KE	Y FOR CASTLEROCK RECEIVE	TWR AT HIGHSCHOOL	
114	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13526	LANGUAGE LINE SVCS INC	87.41 INV 11494125	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	11494125		87.41	12	24 INTERPRETATION SERVICE	ES	
115	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13527	LONGVIEW, CITY OF	1,072.30 INV 2960	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	2960		1,072.30	01	25 LOST RENT 2790 OB HWY	,	
116	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13528	MICROWAVE NETWORK INCORPORATED	188,502.09 INV 24121901	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	24121901	1	88,502.09			PCNS FOR TOWER MICROWAVE UPGRADE	
117	01/23/2025	Claims	1	13529	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	131,115.33 INV 1162411150	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	1162411150	1	31,115.33	R.A	ADIO DISPATCH CONSOLE IN	STALL	
110	01/22/2025	Claima	1	12520	DDEN MED DDC	1 FF0 00 Inv 40902	

13530 PREMIER RPS

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3,104.05

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	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	40802		1,550.00		401A S	SETUP CONSULTING SERVICES	
119	01/23/2025	Claims		1 135	531 PRI	iority dispatch	1,767.44 INV SIN392806
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	SIN392806		1,767.44		PRIOR	ITY DISPATCH PROTOCOL CARDSET	
120	01/23/2025	Claims		1 135	532 REI	HN AND ASSOCIATES -AP	13.50 INV 16809
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	16809		13.50		1224 H	ISA ADMIN FEES	
121	01/23/2025	Claims		1 135	533 SH	I INTERNATIONAL CORP	41,845.94 INV B19247768
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	B19247768		41,845.94	911154	02/17/	25-02/16/26 NET MOTION RENEWA	AL (320)
122	01/23/2025	Claims		1 135	534 SIE	RRA SPRINGS	165.26 INV 585118 010925
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	5351188 010	925	165.26		0125 V	VATER DEILVERY SERVICES	
123	01/23/2025	Claims	,	1 135	535 TEL INC	ECOMUNNICATION SYSTEMS,	4,626.68 INV 04INV-000045343
	Invoices		Amount	PO	For		
	04INV-00004	15343	4,626.68		0125 B	ACKUP IGN 312 SW 1ST	
124	01/23/2025	Claims	•	1 135		SHIBA AMERICA BUSINESS LUTIONS	391.01 INV 5032724612
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	5032724612		391.01		01/03/	25-02/02/25 COPIER LEASE FOR 45	0-0039683-000
125	01/23/2025	Claims		1 135	537 US	BANK (VISA)	7,175.04 ACCT 4484 7345 5001 2810/0125
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	2810/0125		7,175.04		12/09/	24-01/06/25 USBANK STATEMENT	
126	01/23/2025	Claims		1 135	538 VEI	RIZON WIRELESS	865.33 INV 6102511211
	Invoices		Amount	PO	For		
	6102511211		865.33		12/02/	2024-01/01/2025 CELL PHONES AN	ID IPADS
127	01/23/2025	Claims		1 135	539 WA	ALTER E NELSON COMPANY	160.83 INV 1917183
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	1917183		160.83		CLEAN	IING SUPPLIES	
128	01/23/2025	Claims	,	1 135	540 WA	ASHINGTON STATE AUDITOR	3,477.50 INV LI166088
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		
	L166088		3,477.50		2022-2	2023 SAO FINANCIAL AND ACCOUN	NTABILITY AUDIT
129	01/23/2025	Claims	,	1 135	541 WC	DRKPOINTE	3,104.05 INV 43381
	Invoices		Amount	РО	For		

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	001 OPE	RATIONS			183,621.94		
003 RADIO OPERATIONS					1,138.21		
	004 RAD	DIO REPLACE	MENT		188,502.09		
	300 BUI	LDING PROJ	ECT		135,715.95		
					Claims:	508,978.19	
					508,978.19		

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the information listed has been provided to me as described herein and that I have issued payment as directed and received by Cowlitz 911.

	C2FR	
Brandi Ballinger, Signature	Agency	Date

#### CERTIFICATION/AUTHORIZATION:

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered or the labor performed as described herein, that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against Cowlitz 911, and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim. We have reviewed the claims listed in this report and we approve payment with our signatures below.

Budget Finance Manager, Signature	Date
Executive Director, Signature	Date
Board Chair, Signature	Date

**COWLITZ 911** 

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134	01/30/2025	Claims	1	13546	BRADLEY S THOMAS	7,985.02 2025 SPEELYAI LEASE B. THOMAS		
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r			
	2025-BTSPEE	LYAI	7,985.02	20	)25 - 50% of Speelyai Leas	SE PAYMENT		
135	01/30/2025	Claims	1	13547	DAVID A. CREAGAN	7,985.02 2025 SPEELYAI LEASE D.CREAGAN		
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r			
	2025-DCSPE	EYLYA	7,985.02	20	025 - 50% of Speelyai Leas	SE PAYMENT		
		003 RAI	DIO OPERATIO	ONS		15,970.04		
						Claims: 15,970.04		
911.	provided to me as described herein and that I have issued payment as directed and received by Cowlitz 911.  C2FR							
Bran	di Ballinger	. Signati	ıre		Agency	Date		
CERTIFICATION/AUTHORIZATION: I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered or the labor performed as described herein, that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against Cowlitz 911, and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim. We have reviewed the claims listed in this report and we approve payment with our signatures below.								
B	udget Finar	nce Mana	ager, Signat	ture	Date			
	Executive	Director	, Signature		Date			
	Board C	hair, Sig	nature		Date			

172 02/05/2025 Payroll

2 EFT HRA VEBA

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8,475.00 Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To

02/05/2025 - VEBA

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Trans	Date	Туре	Acct #	Chk#	Claimant	Amount	Memo
164	02/05/2025	Payroll	1	EFT	COWLITZ COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE (IRS)	32,184.07	941 Deposit for Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 - 02/05/2025
157	02/05/2025	Payroll	1	13548	MICHELLE SIMS	3,247.79	
165	02/05/2025	Payroll	1	13549	KAISER PERMANENTE	3,009.42	Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To
					MEMBERSHIP ADMIN		02/05/2025 - MEDICAL-KAISER
166	02/05/2025	Payroll	1	13550	WASHINGTON STATE DEPT OF RETIREMENT	17,932.29	Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - PSERS2; Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - PERS2; Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - PERS3
167	02/05/2025	Payroll	1	13551	WCIF	12,425.77	Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - MEDICAL-WCIF; Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - LIFE INS BUYUP; Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - AD-D BUYUP
136	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		JONATHAN C AGUIRRE	3,574.37	
137	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		MICHELLE R ARROWSMITH	3,843.11	
138	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		DANNYKA BAKER	1,326.00	
139	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		KATIE M COSGROVE	3,051.23	
140	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		KATHRYN DAVIS	2,430.02	
141	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT		4,544.61	
142	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		MISTI GIBBS	2,670.43	
143	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		MARIA GILBERT	2,871.59	
144	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		BRIANA HARVILL	2,535.56	
145	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		TARA HUHTA	2,491.52	
146 147	02/05/2025 02/05/2025	Payroll Payroll	2 2		JERRY JENSEN JEREMY KIRK D	3,843.30 2,795.85	
148	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		ANNA LAUDENSCHLAGER	3,562.97	
149	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		JULIA MARTIN	2,783.09	
150	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		ANDREA R MATZKE	2,222.44	
151	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		TRACEY MORSE	3,002.91	
152	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		ASHLYN MUNSON	2,526.39	
153	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		TRISTA OJALEHTO	2,375.41	
154	02/05/2025	Payroll	2		SAMANTHA PERRY	4,525.86	
155	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	KAYLEE SCHAEFER	2,585.40	
156	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	ROBERT SCHAEFER	3,845.58	
158	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	BRANNON STARR	2,625.51	
159	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	JUSTIN J STENNICK	3,719.03	
160	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	REBECCA SWANSON	3,326.07	
161	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	DON TURRENTINE	4,594.89	
162	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	DEANNA WELLS	3,889.96	
163	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	JESSICA M WEYGANDT	2,402.69	
168	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	CAPSCO	52.50	Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - ASSN FEE
169	02/05/2025	Payroll	2	EFT	COWLITZ 911 EMERGENCY SERVICES ASSN	775.00	Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - UNION DUES; Pay Cycle(s) 02/05/2025 To 02/05/2025 - INITIATION FEE
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001 OPERATIONS					167,381.71		
						167,381.71 Payroll:	167,381.71

### **CERTIFICATION:**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the information listed has been provided to me as described herein and that I have issued payment as directed and received by Cowlitz 911.

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Brandi Ballinger, Signature	Agency	Date

#### CERTIFICATION/AUTHORIZATION:

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the materials have been furnished, the services rendered or the labor performed as described herein, that any advance payment is due and payable pursuant to a contract or is available as an option for full or partial fulfillment of a contractual obligation, and that the claim is a just, due and unpaid obligation against Cowlitz 911, and that I am authorized to authenticate and certify to said claim. We have reviewed the claims listed in this report and we approve payment with our signatures below.

Budget Finance Manager, Signature	Date
Executive Director, Signature	Date
Board Chair, Signature	Date

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	7389X012720	)25	216.81	01	/20-02/19/25 CELL PHONES AND HOT S	SPOT	
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	6527/0225		253.36	01	/30-2/28/25 CABLE TV		
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	25-028		75.13	20	)25 FIRE PROTECTION FEES COLUMBIA	HTS TWR	
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	642-2024		4.40	12	24 PHONE SERVICES AT 312 SW 1ST		
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
	911-2025		1,200.00	20	25 TREASURER BANKING SERVICE FEES		
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
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185	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13560	CWCOG	572.00	INV NO 366
	Invoices	-	Amount	PO Fo			
	366		572.00		25 ANNUAL MEMBER DUES		
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	r		
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
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	SIN392865		55.00	EN	MD RECERT M.SIMS	
	SIN397106		55.00	EN	MD RECERT K.DAVIS	
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	3108		31.35	ΚΙ	NK CYLINDER FOR COLDWATER	
191	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13566	LANGUAGE LINE SVCS INC	139.93 INV NO 11522551
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	11522551		139.93	01	25 INTERPRETATION SERVICES	
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	724222391		1,651.75	02	225 PHONE AND INTERNET SERVICES	AT 2790 OBH AND 312 SW 1ST
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	2962		1,072.30	02	225 LOST RENT 2790 OBH	
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	2025-00406		266.00	N	EW HIRE SCREENING J.HIOUSEK/M.D	eisher/e.saylor
195	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13570	MORE POWER TECHNOLOGY	17,470.04 INV NO 17033; INV NO 16995
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	17033		15,753.41	02	225 IT MANAGED SERVICES AGREEME	ENT
	16995		1,716.63	0	1/23/25-02/22/25 MICROSOFT MON	THLY SUBSCRIPTION
196	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13571	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	2,300.00 INV NO SMT25-31012025-1395-0673 MEMO: 100000-361004; INV NO SMT25-31012025-1398-0676 MEMO: 100000-361004
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	87537		1,919.66	(3	) file pedestals for dispatch supi	ERVISORS
198	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13573	PACIFIC NORTHWEST FIRE PROTECTION INC	1,243.15 INV NO 10000867
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	10000867		1,243.15	20	25 ANNUAL SPRINKLER INSPECTION	AT 2790 OBH
199	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13574	PRIORITY DISPATCH	833.00 INV NO SIN394065; INV NO SIN394563; INV NO SIN395568
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	SIN394065 SIN394563 SIN395568		229.00 425.00 179.00	1	'STEM ADMIN TRAINING M.ARROWS 2/18-28/2024 EMD TRAINING A.MATZ 8/25 PROQA TRAINING FOR ANDREA	ZKE
200	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13575	PUBLIC SAFETY TESTING INC	12,339.60 INV NO PSTI25-3
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	PSTI25-3		12,339.60	В	ACKGROUND CHECKS ON 5 DISPATHE	ER CANDIDATES
201	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13576	RELIABLE ADMINISTRATION SOLUTIONS	2,000.00 INV NO 1074
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	1074		2,000.00	02	225 SPILLMAN SUPPORT SERVICES	
202	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13577	SIERRA SPRINGS	192.26 INV NO 5351188 020625
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	5351188 020	625	192.26	0	25 WATER DELIVERY SERVICES	
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	7124		315.94	TA	ABLE AND CHAIR RENTAL FOR EMPLO	YEE APPRECIATION EVENT
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	TM INV-000	659B	420.00	N	EW USER TRAINING JWEYGANDT	
205	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13580	STATE FARM INSURANCE	157.00 POLICY NO 98-CL-S100-3 FIDELITY BOND
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	98-CL-S100-	3 202	157.00	20	025 FIDELITY BOND	
206	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13581	SUMMIT LAW GROUP, PLLC	1,112.50 INV NO 160089
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	
	160089		1,112.50	0	25 GENERAL EMPLOYMENT ATTORNI	EY SERVICES
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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or	

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	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or			
	5033050461		181.46	02	225 COPIER LEASE FOR 450-0104258	8-000		
209	02/13/2025	Claims	1	13584	WASTE CONNECTIONS OF WASHINGTON	23.12	INV NO 21272730S010	
	Invoices		Amount	PO Fo	or			
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Brandi Ballinger, Signature	Agency	Date

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Budget Finance Manager, Signature	Date
Executive Director, Signature	Date
Board Chair, Signature	Date

**COWLITZ 911** 

# Annual Report

2024

# **DIRECTORS MESSAGE**

# **Directors Message**

I began serving as the Director in late August and prior to that served on the governing board as an alternate for the City of Kelso. I replaced Interim Director Bob Gregory who served from May 2024 – August 2024. Prior to Interim Director Gregory, John Diamond served as the Executive Director for approximately 2 years. Cowlitz 911 has been in a state of transition with leadership for more than a decade, having had 6 permanent directors and 3 interims in the last 13 years.

Cowlitz 911 moved into the new building midway through 2023 and 2024 was the first full year on Ocean Beach. We worked through a long punch-list of items but finally came to completion and closed out the building project in December. Rice Fergus Miller received an award for the design of our building and invited two of our team to a ceremony in Seattle to accept the award on their behalf. Everyone is extremely proud of our new facility and the pride our team shows is evident every day. This was a long process with many obstacles, but the outcome was positive.

Board priorities for 2024 have included radio stabilization and increased staffing. We received a federal grant for radio stabilization in 2023 and began that work. Our path forward includes new microwave links, updating existing radios, purchasing some new radios, battery backup for all sites and generator replacement. This work should be completed in the summer of 2025, and we will continue with updating all of our receive only sites. The plan is to complete all sites with IP capability and move from a "hub and spoke" network to a "ring" system.

We have continued pushing forward with hiring and building up our talented training pool. In 2024 we hired 5 dispatchers and retained 3 of those. We experienced 1 dispatch retirement in 2024.

Since August, we have promoted 4 floor supervisors, hired a new Operations Manager, prepared a plan for Jerry to move into the Vendor Manager role and hired a Radio Manager which was approved by the board. We have been very intentional about training our new supervisors, establishing clear expectations and re-tooling our annual reviews. This work was led primarily by Michelle Arrowsmith and has already begun to change the environment on the dispatch floor.

# **DIRECTORS MESSAGE**

Our telecommunicator professionals continue to provide excellent service to our citizens and first responders. The work they do is exceptional and in what is nearly always difficult circumstances. I am humbled by their dedication and honored to serve them.

Lastly, I have worked to establish clear channels of communication with board members, and this has only been successful due to the strong engagement you all have committed to. I will continue to bring issues forward early and still try to respect your very busy schedules.

Darr Kirk Executive Director

# 2024 Financial Highlights

Beginning Balance: \$13,481,000

#### **Total Revenues**

We earned \$631,000 in interest and received \$193,000 above our budgeted Sales Tax revenue. State 911 tax revenue was lower than budgeted by \$18,000. User Fee revenue was under budget by \$206,000 due to two agencies not paying 3rd and 4th quarter dues before the 2024 year-end. Changes in personnel caused this oversight and has been corrected in 2025. We were \$2,179,000 under budget in grant revenue due to being unable to draw down funds from the Federal funding site.

Budgeted: \$12,459,000 Actual: \$10,474,000 Difference: \$1,985,000

## **Total Expenditures**

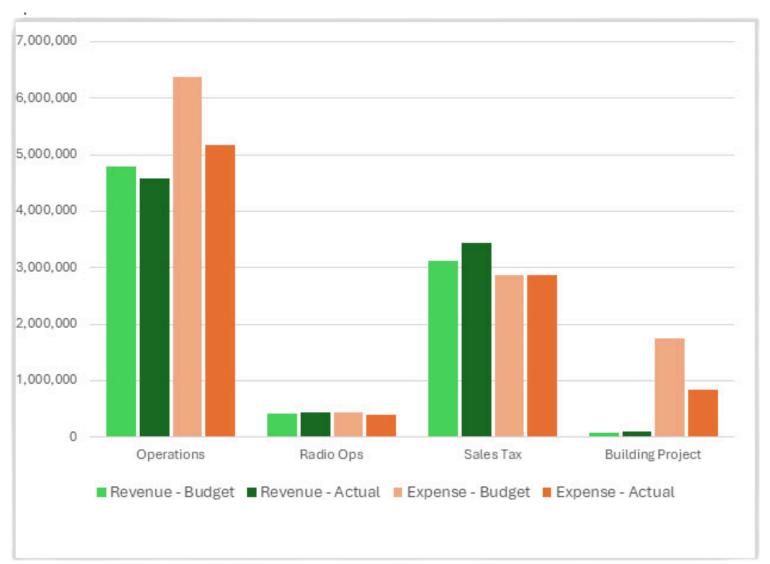
Capital Expenditures through 2024 came in at \$3,156,000 under budget due to incomplete projects and changes in project plans. General expenses came in at \$1,725,000 under budget.

Budgeted: \$16,346,000 Actual: \$11,436,000 Difference: \$4,910,000

Ending Fund Balance: \$12,517,000

# OPERATING FUNDS

# Operating Funds



## Operations

- Beginning Fund Balance: \$2,345,800
- Revenue: \$4,784,000 Budgeted, \$4,585,400 Actual
- Expenses: \$6,371,100 Budgeted, \$5,163,300 Actual
- Ending Fund Balance: \$1,768,000

The Operations fund revenues came under budget due to State 911 tax revenue being lower than anticipated by \$18,000 and User Fee revenue. A few agencies did not pay before year-end, totaling \$206,000. Interest revenue was \$33,000 above budget. Operating Fund expenses were under budget by \$1,208,000 due to being short-staffed.

# OPERATING FUNDS

# Operating Funds

# Radio Operations

• Beginning Fund Balance: \$124,600

Revenue: \$418,500 Budgeted, \$429,700 ActualExpenses: \$449,200 Budgeted, \$389,300 Actual

• Ending Fund Balance: \$166,500

The Radio Operations revenues were \$11,200 above budget, primarily due to higher-than-expected interest earnings. Expenses were under budget due to lower-than-anticipated repair and small equipment costs. There is also a surplus of \$49,500 in capital spending because we could not order some of the equipment, we need for the Radio Manager position.

## Sales Tax

• Beginning Fund Balance: \$3,099,300

Revenue: \$3,129,500 Budgeted, \$3,433,500 ActualExpenses: \$2,876,800 Budgeted, \$2,876,800 Actual

• Ending Fund Balance: \$3,655,865

The Sales Tax revenues were \$303,900 above budget. Earned interest on the Sales Tax fund was \$132,700, and the tax revenue was \$3,300,800 (\$192,700 above budget).

# **Building Project**

• Beginning Fund Balance: \$2,359,200

• Revenue: \$72,000 Budgeted, \$104,100 Actual

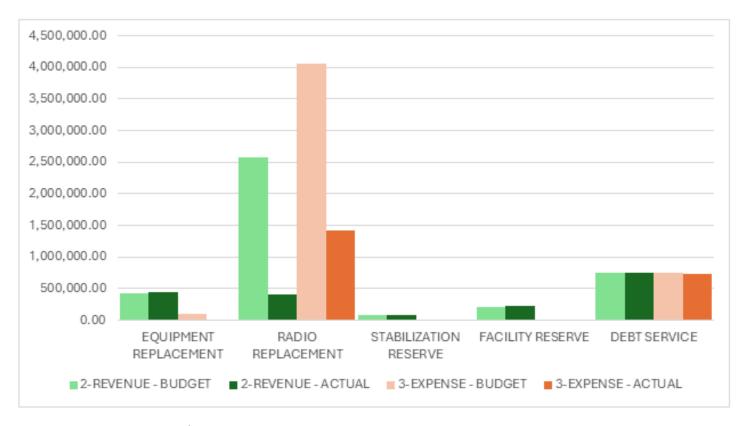
• Expenses: \$1,746,900 Budgeted, \$846,000 Actual

• Ending Fund Balance: \$1,632,000

The Building Project fund revenues resulted from \$104,000 in interest earnings. Expenses related to construction and moving into 2790 Ocean Beach Highway were ongoing through 2024.

# RESERVE AND REPLACEMENT FUNDS

# RESERVE AND REPLACEMENT FUNDS



(Rounded to the Nearest \$100)

## **Equipment Replacement**

• Beginning Fund Balance: \$1,755,700

• Revenue: \$429,000 Budgeted, \$441,100 Actual

• Expenses: \$92,700 Budgeted, \$0 Actual

• Ending Fund Balance: \$2,196,800

The Equipment Replacement revenue was a result of \$96,000 in interest earnings and funds transfers from Sales Tax. All equipment replacement costs in 2024 were included in the Building Project fund.

# RESERVE AND REPLACEMENT FUNDS

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## Equipment Replacement

• Beginning Fund Balance: \$1,755,700

• Revenue: \$429,000 Budgeted, \$441,100 Actual

• Expenses: \$92,700 Budgeted, \$0 Actual

• Ending Fund Balance: \$2,196,800

The Equipment Replacement revenue was a result of \$96,000 in interest earnings and funds transfers from Sales Tax. All equipment replacement costs in 2024 were included in the Building Project fund.

## Radio Replacement

• Beginning Fund Balance: \$1,754,956

Revenue: \$2,573,000 Budgeted, \$411,200 ActualExpenses: \$4,067,040 Budgeted, \$1,420,600

• Ending Fund Balance: \$745,600

Radio Replacement revenues and expenses were lower than budgeted due to delays in spending and receipt of federal grant funds. We spent \$932,500 on equipment that we have not been reimbursed for from the grant. We anticipate receiving these funds in 2025.

## Stabilization Reserve

• Beginning Fund Balance: \$1,544,700

• Revenue: \$74,600 Budgeted, \$83,200 Actual

• Expenses: \$0 Budgeted, \$0 Actual

• Ending Fund Balance: \$1,627,900

The Stabilization Fund revenues came in higher than expected due to interest rate increases. Total interest earnings were \$78,200. No funds were scheduled to be expended, and no expenditures occurred this year. The policy states that this fund will contain 10% of annual operating expenses plus debt service to protect the agency in the event of financial distress.

#### Facility Reserve

Beginning Fund Balance: \$417,500

• Revenue: \$218,000 Budgeted, \$226,100 Actual

Expenses: \$0 Budgeted, \$0 ActualEnding Fund Balance: \$643,700

The Facility Reserve fund revenues came in slightly higher than expected due to \$26,000 in interest earnings. No funds were scheduled to be expended, and no expenditures occurred this year.

# RESERVE AND REPLACEMENT FUNDS

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#### Debt Service

• Beginning Fund Balance: \$78,900

Revenue: \$759,800 Budgeted, \$758,700 ActualExpenses: \$743,200 Budgeted, \$740,500 Actual

• Ending Fund Balance: \$97,100

We have made bond payments totaling \$743,200 on interest from the Debt Service fund. Our final bond payment will be made in 2050. The ending fund balance is the interest earnings on our Debt Service fund.

# PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND PUBLIC EDUCATION

# PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND PUBLIC EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

## **Public Disclosure**

In 2024 we received 1,037 total public records requests that include;

- 117 requests from law enforcement agencies that stem from our local agencies to the FBI.
- 320 requests from local prosecuting attorney offices.
- 12 requests from local fire department agencies including 2 requests from the MPD. Total time spent working on records was 450.83 hours.

## **Public Education**

EVENT	DATE & LOCATION
Bagging Groceries with a Cop	07/13/2024 with Woodland PD
Cowlitz County Fair	07/26/2024 at Cowlitz County Fairgrounds.
National Night Out	08/06/2024 with Woodland, Kalama, and Longview Police Departments
Car Seat Clinics	09/28/2024 & 11/16/2024 at Cowlitz 2 with Safe Kids Lower Columbia
Fire Prevention Week	October 2024 with Fire District 6, Fire District 2, Longview Fire, and Fire District 3
Career Expo	10/24/2024 at LCC hosted by Longview/Kelso Chamber of Commerce
Shop with a Cop	12/07/2024 with Kelso PD

# STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

# Staff Highlights

# **Awards and Recognition**

**Tele Week Awards** – these awards reflect the year prior (2023) but were awarded in 2024

- Tara Huhta was awarded Day Shift Call-Taker of the Year answering 10,598 calls.
- Anna Laudenschlager was awarded Night Shift Call Taker of the Year answering 6,454 calls.
- A Certificate of Teamwork was awarded to Bob, Misti, Josh and Tracey for a homicide that occurred in Kelso that led to a pursuit on I5 in Woodland. Ultimately this ended in an arrest in Vancouver. This incident stayed active for several hours. During the active duration of this event, this team handled 114 other events and handled 229 phone calls.
- A Certificate of Excellence was awarded to Jules Martin, Tracey Morse, Kate Davis, Anna Laudenschlager and Kristy Brown for their excellent performance during night shift on Independence Day of 2023. This 12-hour shift generated 270 CAD events and answered more than 600 phone calls that included several weapons calls, structure fires, brush fires and everything in-between. Several fire districts expressed it was one of the most active celebratory nights that required their constant response in recent memory

## **Year Milestones**

- Michelle Sims 20 years in August 2024
- Kaylee Schafer 10 years in May
- Trista 5 years in November
- Anna 5 years in July
- Briana 5 years in July
- Ashlyn 1 year in September
- Dannyka 1 year in October

# STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

## **Kudos Awards**

- Ashlyn, Jules, Anna and Tracey June 19th for a multi-agency, MCI/MVA that included
  a double life-flight on I5. This was nominated by a team member as well as Chief 21,
  who called in with appreciation and compliments on their outstanding organization
  with the chaos during the incident.
- Bob and Kate July 1st for a gas station robbery. At one point just as law enforcement responders arrived the caller advised the suspect had a weapon; Kate immediately shouted this information to Bob so could alert LE before they approached the suspect– they were nominated by a team member for their outstanding communication during a high priority
- incident.
- Ashlyn October 23rd, received a "Stork Award" in aiding a mother in her pre-hospital delivery to a baby girl.
- Rebecca, Samantha, Tracey and Maria November 21st, Maria and Rebecca answered multiple 911 calls regarding a wrong way driver on I5 ultimately causing a semi-truck to roll. They all worked together in coordinating additional help including the response of a trauma surgeon in preparation for an in-field amputation. They were nominated by a team member for handling such a harrowing and emotional event with professionalism and grace.
- Ashlyn December 8th, Ashlyn answered a 911 from a father who witnessed his
  young son collapse and become unresponsive. The father who made the 911 call,
  called in a couple days later sharing that her calming and professional response to his
  panic and worry was very impactful to him and his family.

# STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

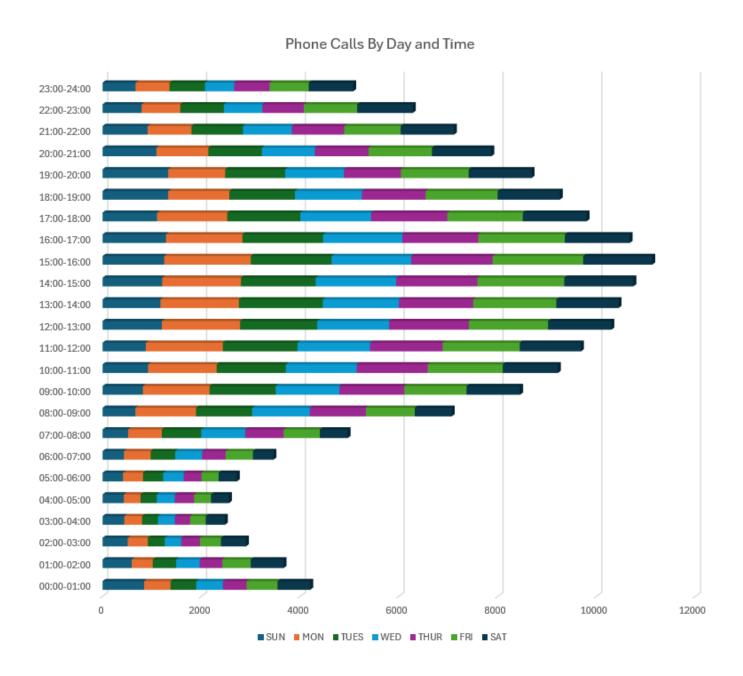
# Staff Highlights

# Total Phone Calls Received in 2024

TIME	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	TOTAL
00:00-01:00	840	536	520	539	481	626	663	4,205
01:00-02:00	589	427	473	476	461	572	666	3,664
02:00-03:00	508	407	343	333	379	427	506	2,903
03:00-04:00	439	360	322	341	311	316	387	2,476
04:00-05:00	429	339	328	366	391	342	363	2,558
05:00-06:00	413	404	410	413	362	347	370	2,719
06:00-07:00	432	540	500	542	476	554	416	3,460
07:00-08:00	515	685	797	890	779	733	562	4,961
08:00-09:00	665	1,227	1,136	1,166	1,134	992	748	7,068
09:00-10:00	816	1,349	1,338	1,292	1,312	1,261	1,085	8,453
10:00-11:00	922	1,386	1,403	1,430	1,438	1,521	1,116	9,216
11:00-12:00	875	1,559	1,511	1,470	1,467	1,563	1,239	9,784
12:00-13:00	1,200	1,582	1,560	1,457	1,613	1,606	1,281	10,299
13:00-14:00	1,171	1,589	1,697	1,541	1,505	1,681	1,261	10,455
14:00-15:00	1,206	1,595	1,512	1,628	1,645	1,760	1,399	10,745
15:00-16:00	1,248	1,752	1,635	1,610	1,650	1,834	1,397	11,126
16:00-17:00	1,283	1,547	1,633	1,604	1,537	1,753	1,312	10,669
17:00-18:00	1,102	1,420	1,482	1,430	1,544	1,528	1,291	9,797
18:00-19:00	1,328	1,238	1,327	1,354	1,293	1,457	1,259	9,256
19:00-20:00	1,328	1,154	1,213	1,190	1,154	1,372	1,274	8,487
20:00-21:00	1,090	1,050	1,084	1,072	1,089	1,283	1,202	7,870
21:00-22:00	913	886	1,042	989	1,061	1,144	1,078	7,113
22:00-23:00	791	782	883	777	840	1,081	1,125	6,279
23:00-24:00	668	686	719	590	718	791	902	5,074
TOTAL	20,871	24,500	24,868	24,500	24,640	26,544	22,902	168,627

# TOTAL PHONE CALLS RECEIVED GRAPHICALLY

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# 2024 OVERVIEW & GOVERNANCE

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On March 13th, 2018 the Cowlitz County Commissioners adopted Cowlitz County Ordinance 18-014 which Established Cowlitz 911 Public Authority a separate legal entity. Cowlitz 911's purpose is to undertake, assist with, and otherwise facilitate the public function of providing 911 emergency and non-emergency communications and dispatch services for the following jurisdictions:

Cowlitz County Sheriff's, City of Castle Rock, City of Longview, City of Kelso, City of Kalama, City of Woodland, Fire District 1, Cowlitz 2 Fire & Rescue, Fire District 3, Fire District 5, Longview Fire, Medix and the Cowlitz County Coroner.

Cowlitz 911 is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of nine board members. The Board of Directors has the authority and responsibility to provide direction to the Management staff of Cowlitz 911. The board will oversee the hiring of the Director, reviews, and adopts policies, oversees implementation of new services, and monitors the finances and budget.

The Cowlitz 911 Board of Directors meets monthly in regular meetings open to the public in accordance with RCW 42.30 Open Public Meetings Act. Meetings were held in person and virtually in 2024.

**BOARD CHAIR: BRAD THURMAN** 



**BOARD VICE CHAIR: ALAN HEADLEY** 



## 9 VOTING MEMBERS

Longview Council: Erik Halvorson
Longview City Manager: Jim Duscha
Longview Public Safety Chief: Robert Huhta
County Commissioner: Rick Dahl
County Sheriff: Brad Thurman
Kelso City Manager: Andy Hamilton
Cowlitz 2 Fire & Rescue: Alan Headley
Fire Officials: Bill LeMonds

Police Chiefs: Ralph Herrera



# Cowlitz 911 Agenda Summary Sheet

2790 Ocean Beach Highway Longview, WA 98632 www.cowlitz911.org

Introduced by: Justin Stennick	Date: February 12, 2025
	For Agenda of: February 19, 2025
SUBJECT TITLE: Generator Replacement	
SUMMARY STATEMENT:	
In an effort to continue with radio system upgrades, power generators at our primary radio/microwave sit and are of varying hours of use and condition.	
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	
Recommendation to request bids for 5 replacement of plans to purchase generators from a state contract a	
Expenditure Required: \$200,000	
Amount Budgeted: \$200,000 Appropriation Required: N/A	