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The Mahaska County EMA Commission and 911 Board met at 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at the Mahaska County Conservation Complex, 2342 Hwy 92, Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577; The meeting was called to order by Chairman Van Renterghem at 6:01P.M.

Roll Call:

911 Board(8): Amal Eltahir, Jeff Long, Gene Rouze, Loren Vos, Russ Van Renterghem, Brian DesPlanque, Nate Crozier, Mark Groenendyk.

EMA Commission (10): Dave Krutzfeldt, Jeff Long, Nick Batterson, Bob Barnhart, Tom Van Der Veer, Sherri Baxter, Kim Sytsma, Russ Van Renterghem, Mark Groenendyk. Was noted after the meeting the Mark DeJong was present also online.

Non-Members: Josh Stevens, Cheryl Eklofe, Channing Rucks, and Jamey Robinson.

1. **Approve Current 911 Agenda** - Motion by Rouze to approve the 911 Agenda as presented, 2nd by Vos, no further discussion, motion passed 8-0
2. **Approve Current EMA Agenda**- Motion made by Long to approve the agenda as presented, 2nd by Mr. Van Der Veer, no further discussion, motion approved 9-0.
3. **Public Comment**-None
4. **EMA-911 Budget Discussion/Action**
Robinson presented to the budgets. He stated that the only increase was 3% for employee increases. He further stated that the county hasn't decided what the increases will be at this point, but he wanted to put something in for everyone to consider. Krutzfeldt stated that the national average is looking at a range of 4%-6% and that Robinson should consider increasing that. Van Der Veer agrees that it should be increased if we want to retain good staff. Groenendyk states he doesn't want to see anything done until the court ruling or the consultant report comes back. He also questions why the groups continue down the same path. Both City representatives for the City of Oskaloosa also agree they want to see the consultant report back before moving forward. Robinson did states that the only concern is the requirement of budget certification before February 28th. It was felt that the consultant report would be back, as well as the court ruling, and the groups could move forward once they have that information. No action was taken.
5. **Radio system update Discussion/Action** Robinson provided an update to the radio system. They anticipate going live with the entire system in the next few weeks. No action was taken.

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6. Claim & Budget Review-Discussion/Action

a) **PowerPhone-\$4,000 (EMA Commission)** Robinson states that they successfully passed all requirements to become recertified with their accreditation. Motion by Batterson to approve the claim, 2nd by Long, no further discussion, motion passed 8-1 Groenendyk-no

b) **Claims review- No action taken**

7. **Next meeting-**Mr. Robinson will get out a doodle poll once the consultant report is completed.

8. **Adjourn:**

EMA Adjourn: Motion by Groenendyk to adjourn, 2nd by Van Der Veer, motion passed 9-0.

911 Adjourn: Motion by Rouze to adjourn, 2nd by Eltahir, motion passed 8-0.