

Stone County Emergency Services

105 Stonebridge Pkwy

Branson West Mo 65737

Board Meeting Minutes

July 25, 2024

5:30pm

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Michael Cupp at 5:31pm

Attendance

Board Members Present: Michael Cupp, Ron Thomas, Dr. Larry Huffman, Collin Brannan

Staff Present: Keith Kinnard, Christine Kessler

Others Present:

102-Agenda

Added the resolution as required by the state and evaluation of a Caliber license.

A motion to approve the July 25, 2024 agenda was made by Dr. Larry Huffman and seconded by Ron Thomas.

All Members present approved and motion was passed.

103- Open/ Closed Session Minutes

A motion to approve the open/ closed session minutes of the meeting held on June 27, 2024 was made by Dr. Larry Huffman and seconded by Ron Thomas.

All members present approved and motion was passed.

104/105- Treasurer Report/ Approval to Pay Bills

A motion to approve the payment of July 2024 bills was made by Collin Brannan and seconded by Ron Thomas.

All members present approved and motion was passed.

106-Checks Written throughout the month

A motion to approve the payment of checks written between June 28, 2024 to July 25, 2024 Board Meetings was made by Ron Thomas and seconded by Collin Brannan.

All members present approved and motion was passed.

Members of the Public

200- Old Business

300- New Business

301 – Employee’s Compensation and Benefits Package

Discussion of Stone County Emergency Services turnover rate and the cost of training. Open discussion was started for ideas on the employee’s compensation and benefits package including options of weekend pay, a step program, and vacation time. Pay scales based on evaluations, job duties, and different dispatcher ranks (ex. Dispatcher I, Dispatcher II, etc.) were all discussed as options. More discussion will come in following meetings.

302 – Resolution for Conflict of Interest Required by the State

A motion to approve the Resolution for Conflict of Interest was made by Dr. Larry Huffman and seconded by Collin Brannan.

Michael Cupp, Dr. Larry Huffman, and Ron Thomas signed the resolution for conflict of interest to be submitted to the state.

303 – Evaluation of Caliber License

Requesting 2 additional Mobile CAD licenses; one for Central Crossing Fire Department and one for Southern Stone County Fire Department. The licenses are held by Stone County Emergency Services, and the fire departments would provide the equipment required to use the license.

The board would like to monitor the usage and receive an assessment of how the license use within the fire departments is going after 6 months.

A motion to approve the purchase of two additional Mobile CAD licenses with criteria of usage of the mobile CADs within the first 6 months was made by Dr. Larry Huffman and seconded by Ron Thomas.

304 – Municipality Response Protocol

Discussion of the municipality protocol: If a citizen requests county to respond to a municipality jurisdiction, who would respond. The board would like a protocol in place that the call would be dispatched to the municipalities, as the call is their jurisdiction, and dispatchers can ask the callers if they would like county to respond as well if requested.

400- Closed Session

No Closed Session.

500- Directors Report

- Jen and Christine dispatched for the Fireburst event in Kimberling City and was able to fully dispatch from the command vehicle
- Air conditioners are working well. Had a little lightning which caused the realization that one of the unit's wiring was not properly installed

- Issue with split unit. The part that would be needed to fix it takes 8-12 weeks to arrive and, in the meantime, will attempt to self-fix with epoxy
- Minor issue with the backup supply system
- Text to 911 should be ready by August 15
- The grant for ESINET for AT&T is in progress to be completed. Stone County would be the first of the MO-8 for this improvement
- GIS grant is being concluded, should be with 100% compliance by August 31
- Have been pleased with the current IT company

600- Comments from the Floor

Discussion of when law units have grant work if there are any grants that can be utilized by Stone County Emergency Services due to the grants done by law units putting a burden on the dispatchers. This will be investigated by Keith Kinnard through a contact from Michael Cupp.

700- Announcement of Next Board Meeting

August 22, 2024 at 5:30pm

Announcement made by: Michael Cupp

800- Motion to Adjourn

A motion to adjourn at 7:22pm was made by Dr. Larry Huffman and seconded by Collin Brannan.

All members present approved and the motion passed.