

**EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS OF SOUTHERN OREGON
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES**

May 17, 2022

ECSO – 400 Pech Road, Central Point, OR

AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES

Jackson County	Nate Sickler	Fire District #3	Robert Horton
Medford Police Dept	Justin Ivens	Fire District #4	<i>absent</i>
City of Ashland	Tighe O’Meara	Medford Fire Dept	Eric Thompson
City of Phoenix	Derek Bowker		

Other attendees

Guest: Larry Bell of Strategic Government Resources

ECSO: Margie Moulin, Jody Hathaway, Kevin Harris, Corey Nelson, Johnna Pellam

Chair: Robert Horton

Call to Order: 3:00 pm

Roll call, quorum confirmed

Eric Thompson moved to approve the March minutes. Nate Sickler seconded. Motion passed.

GUEST PRESENTATION

Larry Bell of Strategic Government Resources (SGR) introduced the company and their plan for recruitment of the new ECSO Director.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Jody Hathaway reviewed the financial packets for February, March, and April 2022.

MOTION: Eric Thompson moved to approve the financial packets for February, March, and April 2022. Tighe O’Meara seconded. The motion passed by unanimous roll call.

**Total Expenditures of approved packet:
\$3,013,980.08 (\$1,360,000 was transferred to LGIP account)**

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

ECSO Staffing

ECSO still working on recruitment and training to bring staffing up; working on methods to best manage upcoming fire season staffing levels in the midst of the staffing shortage. Discussed burdens on dispatchers and training officers. New hires are on a staggered training program to be more quickly released as fire dispatchers.

Auto-Abandoned-Callback

System will be going live next week at ECSO for automated callback of abandoned 911 calls (those that are disconnected prior to the calltaker answering.)

DIRECTOR'S REPORT continued

988 Suicide Prevention Hotline

Director Moulin is on one of the workgroups researching the issues of 988 implementation in Oregon and how it will impact workload on 911 centers. Two centers (in Salem and Portland) will be taking the calls; but issues are still being analyzed around call transfers to and from the centers.

CAD-to-CAD Interface

Progress made towards implementation but cannot promise it will be in place before 2022 fire season.

Next-Gen 911

Discussed various private sector applications that are currently having impact on 911 workload or are likely to in the future.

OLD BUSINESS

Radio Infrastructure Project

Nothing new to report; still in site development phase. ECSO is still meeting every other week via Zoom with Motorola and site development engineers.

NEW BUSINESS

FY 2022/2023 Budget Presentation

Jody Hathaway presented the proposed FY 2022/2023 ECSO Budget. The Intergovernmental Council Budget meeting did not have a quorum; therefore, the Board of Directors will have the option (approved by the auditor) to send it back to the Council with suggestions or moving forward with adoption. After hearing the presentation, the Board agreed it can be placed on the June Board meeting agenda for adoption.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, and hearing no public comment, the meeting adjourned at 4:32 pm. The next ECSO Board of Directors meeting will be on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 unless otherwise announced.

Respectfully submitted - Jeff McCamish, Recording Secretary