

**EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS OF SOUTHERN OREGON
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

**May 15, 2024, 3:00 p.m.
ECSO – 400 Pech Road, Central Point, OR**

AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES

Jackson County	<i>absent</i>	Fire District #3	Mike Hussey
City of Ashland	Dan Moulin	Fire District #4	Travis Crume
City of Butte Falls	<i>absent</i>	Fire District #5	<i>absent</i>
City of Central Point	Scott Logue	Evans Valley FD #6	Kathryn Henning
City of Eagle Point	<i>absent</i>	Applegate FD #9	Cody Goodnough
City of Jacksonville	<i>absent</i>	Greensprings FD	<i>absent</i>
City of Medford	Trevor Arnold	Lake Creek RFPD	Tony Paxton
City of Phoenix	Derek Bowker	Medford RFPD	Eric Thompson
City of Rogue River	Ryan Nolan	Prospect RFPD	<i>absent</i>
City of Talent	Jennifer Snook	Rogue River RFPD	<i>absent</i>
S. Oregon University	<i>absent</i>		

Others Present

ECSO Staff: Tim Doney, Jody Hathaway, Johnna Pellam, Corey Nelson, Jeff McCamish

Chair: Dan Moulin **Call to Order:** 3:03 p.m. Roll call taken
Tony Paxton moved to approve the February 2024 minutes. Eric Thompson seconded. Motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Administration

- Reviewed ECSO's recent UPS replacement process
- Reviewed staffing levels and training status
- The shortfall in funding for the radio infrastructure project still exists but is greatly reduced with funding assistance from the State of Oregon and the City of Medford acquiring a federal grant to purchase radios (with a potential similar purchase upcoming with Fire District #3.) Overcoming the shortfall has also been assisted by equipment partnerships with ODOT and OSP, plus multiple local donations. The shortfall is currently under \$1 million; further cost reimbursement from the State should reduce that to under a half-million.

Performance

- Call volume down 10%. ECSO is meeting all law, fire, and medical dispatch benchmarks.

Technical Systems

- ECSO continues upgrading all field MDCs to Windows 11. User agencies can get a list from ECSO IT of any of their MDCs that still need the upgrade.
- Dispatch and ECSO admin PCs replacement complete.
- Getac is no longer manufacturing A140G2 model after the end of summer. ECSO is testing alternative models. Old model will still be supported for eight years.

OLD BUSINESS

Radio Infrastructure

- Reviewed construction status of various radio sites

NEW BUSINESS

FY 2024/2025 Budget Presentation

Jody Hathaway presented the FY 2024/2025 budget.

MOTION: Trevor Arnold moved to recommend to the ECSO Board that ECSO adopt a discipline-specific technology fee moving forward. Eric Thompson seconded.

The motion passed by roll call, with ECSO Board members present abstaining.

MOTION: Tony Paxton moved to increase the user fees of all ECSO user agencies by 3% for one year. Derek Bowker seconded.

The motion passed by roll call, with ECSO Board members present abstaining.

It was noted that \$313 needed to be added to line 5673 to balance revenues and expenditures.

MOTION: Ryan Nolan moved to approve the ECSO FY 2024/2025 budget for \$10,127,808.00 as presented with the \$313 addition to line 5673. Tony Paxton seconded.

The motion passed by roll call, with ECSO Board members present abstaining.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business or public comment, Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:13 p.m. The next Intergovernmental Council meeting will be held on a date to be determined in the ECC Room at 400 Pech Road, Central Point, Oregon.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff McCamish - Recording Secretary