

Central Emergency Dispatch Policy Board

July 16, 2019 Minutes

Members present: Mike Cornman, Laury Flint & Joe Qualters

Members not present: Russell Brummett & Jayme Washel

Attendees:

Mike Diekhoff, BPD	Kevin Patton, Ellettsville FD
David Ferguson, Ferguson Law Office	Margie Rice, County Legal
Jason Moore, BFD	Tricia Edwards, IUPD
Eli Eccles, BPD	Ryan Pedigo, BPD
David Calvin, Northern Monroe FT	Curtis Clark, IU Health EMS
Brad Swain, MCSO	Joel Bomgardner, Northern Monroe FT
Amy Wolfe, Central Dispatch	Marie Murphy, Central Dispatch

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairperson Joe Qualters.

AGENDA

- I. Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the May 21, 2019 & June 25, 2019 meetings were approved.
- II. Personnel Update: There are seven openings and seven applicants to send to Human Resources for approval.
- III. Committee Reports: None - no active committees.
- IV. Statistics: See packet for stats. Calls for services are up by about 4,000 from 2018 during the same time frame.
- V. Old Business:
 - *Locution:* No updates. Can be removed from the Agenda.
 - *800 MHz/MDC Update:* To complete the project will cost \$335, 283.84. Originally the project started with buying laptops for the fire departments. After Captain Ryan Pedigo spoke with the fire chiefs they noted that because of space constraints that the laptops weren't the best option. Instead of laptops the fire departments will be receiving Dell Rugged tablets. The cost is \$1,939.99 per tablet. The price includes a three year accident warranty, 24/7 tech support and next business day delivery. By switching to the tablets there is a savings of \$39,690.

Captain Pedigo reached out to AT&T and CradlePoint for quotes and had discussions on installation pricing along with the hourly rate for

maintenance. CradlePoint came in with the best price. Captain Pedigo was able to save \$61,036.25 for the project.

The CradlePoints that are being purchased are the CradlePoint IBR 1700's and the antennas are 9-in-1 antennas and come with a one year maintenance agreement. Originally 5-in-1 antennas with a five year maintenance agreement were selected, but after talking with the Fire Chief's, they decided that they would prefer to have better hardware with a lesser maintenance agreement. The original maintenance cost was incorrectly presented at the March 20, 2018 Policy Board meeting at a rate of \$2,700 annually. That cost was for mobile radios that former Telecommunications Manager Jeff Schemmer had purchased for the fire department vehicles. When Board member Mike Cornman made the motion he was aware that the rate was for mobile radios and not the MDT's as stated in the minutes. The actual cost for the five year plan was \$7,560 annually. The one year plan for the CradlePoints and 9-in-1 antennas is \$7,807.

The maintenance agreement through OCI for the tablets is \$8000. The agreement is for connectivity and equipment. The warranty through Dell that is included in the tablet price is for the tablet only.

Captain Pedigo stated that there is \$421,076.55 still encumbered for the project. After paying for the tablets, cradlepoints and antenna's there should be approximately \$85,792.71 left. Jeff Schemmer had spoke to the township fire departments about purchasing mobile repeaters. Pedigo spoke with Joe Richardson with OCI about how much the mobile repeaters would cost. Joe came back with a quote of \$15,000-\$21,000 per repeater. The repeater its self is around \$12,000. Every radio that hits that repeater will need to be prograded for it. The cost is \$50 per radio for reprogramming.

Pedigo does not recommend going forward with the repeater purchase until after the 800MHz/MDC project is complete. That was a more accurate figure will be known.

Margie Rice feels that there is about \$780,000 in encumbered money available. The County thinks that there is enough money to do both the MDT project and the repeater project. She says that the County Council members are really interested in seeing those projects move forward.

Pedigo does not believe the numbers that Margie has are correct. Margie mentioned that Angie Purdie prepared the 2020 Dispatch Budget where her numbers are coming from. Angie has that the 63 tablets will cost \$100,000 and that the cradlepoints will cost \$147, 144. The tablet will actually cost \$122,220 and the cradlepoints will cost \$213,064.

Margie continued to ask if \$780,000 would cover the projects. She asked if we had \$780,000. Pedigo says that there isn't to his knowledge. Margie

thinks that there is reversion money. City Controller Jeff Underwood told her that there is not reversion money. She thinks that the City and County need to meet to talk about the actual numbers. She made the comment “I think that it would be a wise idea for this Policy Board to get their head wrap around what are the reversions.” She also suggested meeting monthly to talk about issues and the projects that are going on.

Mike Rouker will follow up with Jeff Underwood about providing the reversion numbers.

Chairperson Qualters commented that the Board meeting on a monthly basis will be determined after the Controller and the County representatives meet and if the Board needs to review them. As for the current projects, we are working with in the dollars that we think exist. Qualters asked if the original approval of the money for the contract needs to be corrected or would the correction take place once the agreements are executed. Margie told him that it will be corrected once the contracts are executed.

Margie asked when the contracts will be available for the Board’s approval. Pedigo stated that the mobile contract has been approved. The OCI contract has not been approved. Margie does not remember seeing it. The contracts will need to go to both City and County for approval before the Board approves them.

Cornman voiced that the fire departments really would like the repeaters if the money is available.

Qualters commended Pedigo for all of his hard work on taking on this project in the middle of it.

- *2020 Central Dispatch Budget:* The budget has been reduced. The new budget funds dispatch but doesn’t overfund it. One change to the budgets presented to the Board is the \$17,000 for the training room upgrades. The training room has already been updated this year.

Cornman thinks that the Fire Protocols needs to be a priority in 2019. Margie says that it is in the 2020 budget.

Qualters commented that the documents presented to the Board show a difference between the City and County proposals and asked for clarification that they went with the County proposal. Margie said that yes they did, but that everyone worked together and agreed on it.

Laury asked if the final total of \$3,628,425.26 include the \$17,000. Margie said that the total does include it.

A motion to approve the 2020 Central Dispatch Budget was made by Cornman. Flint seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

VI. New Business:

- *Claims:* Cornman made a motion to approve the 911 fund and PS Lit claims. Flint seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

VII. Police/Sheriff/Fire/EMS: None_____

VIII. Public Comment: None

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 am.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Training Room at BPD.