



October 7, 2022
PSAP GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

Meeting Room – 1st Floor Police Dept.

725 N. Park Ave, Fremont

8:00 a.m.

A meeting of the Fremont/Dodge County PSAP Governing Board was held on October 7, 2022, in the first floor meeting room of the Fremont Police Department at 725 N. Park Avenue, Fremont, Nebraska. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Joey Spellerberg. The meeting was preceded by a publicized notice in the Fremont Tribune and the agenda displayed in the Fremont Police/PSAP lobby and is open to the public. A copy of the open meeting law is available for public inspection.

Roll call showed Board Members Joey Spellerberg, Bob Missel, Greg Beam, Doug Backens, Mark Jensen, Glen Ellis and James Vaughan present in the room. 7 present, 0 absent. Shelly Holzerland, ex officio present. Guests Tom Christensen and City Administrator Jody Sanders were also present

The draft minutes of the May 10, 2022 meeting were distributed prior to the meeting and available in hard copy at the meeting. Mr. Jensen moved to accept the minutes of the May 10, 2022 meeting and Mr. Beam seconded the motion.

Vote: Aye: Spellerberg, Missel, Backens, Beam, Jensen, Ellis, Vaughan

No: None Motion passed

Consideration and possible approval of an interlocal cooperation agreement among ORION (Omaha Regional Interoperable Network) relating to a land mobile radio system sharing agreement.

The agreement is still in draft form as the OPPD legal staff are still reviewing it. The agreement is not changed from the one in place now that made the Fremont system part of ORION via Washington County. This agreement makes the Dodge County system a full member of ORION. Fremont and Dodge county would continue to be obligated to the same cost sharing based on subscriber numbers. The agreement also requires all members to support their system, doing updates and upgrades on schedule. The draft document has been reviewed and approved by the City attorney and the County attorney. The other members of ORION have also reviewed it

and unless OPPD has any significant changes, this is the final draft. Any significant changes will require the document to come back before the PSAP governance board.

Mr. Missel moved to conditionally approve and accept the draft interlocal agreement provided there are no significant changes made by the remaining reviews. Mr. Vaughan seconded the motion.

Vote: Aye: Spellerberg, Missel, Backens, Beam, Jensen, Ellis, Vaughan
No: None Motion passed

Consideration and possible approval of contract with PS Rad Com LLC to provide public safety radio administration and support services for the radio system serving Fremont and Dodge County

The County radio project is nearing completion and support services will be needed to keep the system maintained and to address problems. The Radio Systems Administrator will support the county radio system by working with ORION, programming user radios, helping troubleshoot issues with the dispatch consoles, regularly checking the tower sites and various other support duties. This position requires a person with intimate knowledge of the radio systems currently in use in Dodge county as well as the new system and the integration with ORION.

An RFP was issued to solicit proposals for this work. One proposal was received, from Mr. Tom Christensen, dba P.S. Rad Com, LLC. The proposal was reviewed by the PSAP Operations Board. Negotiations between the board and P.S. Rad Com took place regarding the services provided and costs. The city attorney crafted the contract with the final numbers. It has been reviewed and approved by the County Attorney. Once approved by the PSAP board, the contract will go before the City Council and the County Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Missel moved to approve the contract with P.S. Rad Com LLC and move forward with city/county approval. Mr. Beam offered the second.

Vote: Aye: Spellerberg, Missel, Backens, Beam, Jensen, Ellis, Vaughan
No: None Motion passed

Status report on EMD program:

Shelly reported that the new EMD program has been purchased with the Dodge County ARPA funds that were awarded. The contract is signed. Dr Tiehen has agreed to be the Medical Director for the program. He is currently the Med Dir for Fremont Rescue and will take on the EMD as well. At this point he has not asked for additional compensation. Paramedic Alex Iniguez with Fremont Fire has agreed to be part of the training team. Currently the draft protocols are being reviewed and edited and by December the final protocols can be reviewed

by Dr Tiehen. Due to staff changes in city IT, the hardware portion may have to wait a few weeks. The current plan is to go live with the new system after the first of the year.

Mayor Spellerberg asked what the benefits of the new system will be. Shelly said that for the dispatchers, it's a much more up-to-date and easier to use system. It will guide them to the correct chief complaint, allowing them to dispatch faster. It also provides updated pre-arrival instructions and has a quality assurance module that allows for better reviewing of calls. QA allows easier review, providing feedback and information for the dispatchers to improve their speed and performance of EMD. For the citizens, they are getting more efficient service and better pre-arrival care with the new system.

Brief update on county radio project:

Tom Christensen provided an update on the county radio project. As of Tuesday evening, all 5 towers in Dodge county are transmitting and working. Some preliminary coverage testing has occurred. Unofficially, strong signals were received as far as Columbus and Wisner. The paging system is being optimized. Radios are being distributed to fire departments so they can do training. They cannot use them yet. Updating on the consoles still needs to be done. Scribner is adding quite a few more radios and Hooper has added some. Currently North Bend, Nickerson, Uehling and Fremont Rural are fully joining. Scribner has added enough radios that they also might be.

Adjournment at 0840 hrs: Mr. Backens moved to adjourn, Mr. Beam offered the second.

Vote: Aye: Spellerberg, Missel, Backens, Beam, Jensen, Ellis, Vaughan

No: None Motion passed

Respectfully
Shelly Holzerland
FDCC Communications Director