



MEETING MINUTES for

Kalamazoo County Consolidated Dispatch Authority TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE January 4, 2023 – Regular Meeting

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Chief Bryan Ergang at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, in the Chief Switalski Meeting Room at Kalamazoo County Consolidated Dispatch Authority, 7040 Stadium Drive, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

ITEM 2 –ROLL CALL

Members Present: Bryan Ergang (KTPD), Matt Huber (KDPS), Scott Ernstes (MSP), Craig Dierienger (KCMCA), Tim Unangst (WMUPD), Jeff Christensen (KCSO), Nick Arnold (PDPS), Gerry Leudecking (KCFCA)

Others Present: Chris Franks, Steve Stryd, Jeff Troyer, Torie Rose, Jon Moored, Justin Johnson, Sarah Clark, and Chris McComb

ITEM 3 – ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

A. Election of Chairperson

Mr. Arnold proposed Mr. Merlo as Chairperson for 2023.

Mr. Ernstes proposed Mr. Ergang as Chairperson for 2023.

“Motion by Mr. Arnold, second by Mr. Huber to elect Mr. Merlo as Chairperson for 2023.”

On a voice vote, MOTION CARRIED with Mr. Ernstes being the only nay vote.

B. Election of Vice-Chairperson

Mr. Ergang proposed Mr. Ernstes as Vice-Chairperson for 2023.

“Motion by Mr. Christensen, second by Mr. Arnold to elect Mr. Ernstes as Vice-Chairperson for 2023.”

On a voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 4 - APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. November 3, 2022 – Regular Meeting

“Motion by Mr. Ernstes, second by Mr. Huber to approve the November 3, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.”

On a voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

ITEM 4 – CITIZEN’S TIME

There were no citizen comments.

ITEM 5 - FOR CONSIDERATION

A. Administrative Monthly Report

Mr. Troyer stated the December reports are not completed yet, but it will be sent along with the year-end reports soon.

B. Old Business

1. MPSCS Kalamazoo Subsystem Project (Update)

Mr. Troyer presented an update on the MSPSCS Kalamazoo Subsystem Project. He stated the scheduled system go live was January 17, 18 and 19. Due to unforeseen circumstances, Tower 5108 (Lamont) will not be ready. He stated that the Committee needed to decide if it was acceptable to move forward with go live without 5108 or wait until 5108 was ready to come online with the rest of the system. The Committee held a lengthy discussion.

“Motion by Mr. Ergang, second by Mr. Ernstes to move forward with go live on January 17, 18 and 19 and 5108 can come online when its ready”

On a roll call vote, Yes – 8, No – 0. MOTION CARRIED.

C. New Business

1. Direct Dispatch of MSU 1 and 2 – February 1

Mr. Troyer stated that KCCDA will direct dispatch for MSU 1 and 2 starting February 1. The dispatch will go out across County Fire Alert and primary communications will be on 39E911.

2. KDPS Request:

- a. ADD Bike Patrol Call-Sign Designator – BP – (1-30)
- b. ADD Disposition Code Designator – Bike Patrol

Mr. Huber stated KDPS will be starting a bike patrol this summer and would like to have call signs and disposition codes for those units.

“Motion by Mr. Ernstes, second by Mr. Christensen to approve new call signs and disposition codes for KDPS Bike Patrol.”

On a voice vote, MOTION CARRIED

3. Feasibility & Cost Analysis for KCCDA to host Law Enforcement Hexagon RMS

Mr. Huber stated KDPS would like to know if it is possible for KCCDA to host Hexagon RMS.

Mr. Troyer stated he would need to sit down with the IT staff to do an in-depth analysis of what will be needed. This analysis will be conducted as an additional system with no benefit to us. The Authority will continue with Tyler for the next few years. A cost analysis will be brought back to the Committee in March.

4. Canadian National Railroad Police – Law Enforcement Talkgroup Request

Mr. Troyer stated the Canadian National Railroad Police is requesting an MOU granting access to law enforcement talk groups. They do not intend to use the police channels to call out stops, only to listen to calls in areas they are working or in case of emergencies.

“Motion by Mr. Huber, second by Mr. Arnold to allow CNRR access to county talkgroup, law comm2”.

On a voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 6 – **OTHER ITEMS**

D. Announcements and Member Comments

Mr. Troyer stated there was Prepared Live demo scheduled for today but due to the length of today’s meeting, it needs to be rescheduled. He explained most of the Michigan PSAPs that are bringing video into the dispatch center are doing so with Prepared. Video is done at the discretion of the dispatcher. He requested a special meeting solely for a 35-to-40-minute demo. The Committee agreed to meet on February 7 at 9 or 10 am, dependent on vendor availability.

E. Next Meeting

The next regular scheduled Technical Advisory Committee meeting will be Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 10:00 am, and will be held in the Chief Switalski Meeting Room at KCCDA, 7040 Stadium Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49009.

ITEM 7 - **ADJOURNMENT**

F. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.