

OPECD BOARD MEETING

March 9, 2023

03.09.2023.1 CALL TO ORDER

Gregg Nivens opened the meeting to those both electronically and in person. He welcomed all guests and members present.

03.09.2023.2 ROLL CALL

Gregg Nivens requested Roll Call of members.

Janise Schopieray called Roll.

RANDALL BOSWELL - HERE, MIKE GILPATRICK - HERE, COLLEEN TUCK- ABSENT, TONY BEATY- ABSENT, LEE RICHARDS- HERE, BUSTER HARMON - ELECTRONIC, TIM BOOHER- ABSENT, DONALD WELLS- HERE, DARWIN CLARK- HERE, DAVID GORE- HERE, MARK PRESLEY-ABSENT, LEANA NEAL- HERE, GREGG NIVENS-HERE

03.09.2023.3 EXCUSE OF MEMBERS

Members who were absent included Colleen Tuck, Tony Beaty, Tim Booher, Mark Presley. All the others were present in person or electronically.

03.09.2023.4 AGENDA AND GUEST RECOGNITION

Chairman Nivens directed the board to review the agenda and the package presented. Guests were Chris Masiongale, Janise Schopieray, Mike Mahn, Steven Barlow and Scott Leduc

03.09.2023.5 MINUTES

Chairman Nivens directed board members to the previous Board Meeting minutes that were presented. They were read, and a voice vote was made to approve them. Motion made by Darwin Clark and a second was made by Randall Boswell to approve the minutes.

Janise Schopieray called roll

All members voted Aye to approve the minutes, none opposed. Motion carried.

03.09.2023.6 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Statements were presented by Scott LeDuc electronically. Profit and Loss Statements and Balance Sheet were included in the packets provided electronically. Financials were gone over each line item individually. Donald Wells made motion to approve financial statements as presented. Second made by Lee Richards. Chairman Nivens called for Roll Call.

Janise Schopieray called roll

RANDALL BOSWELL - YES, MIKE GILPATRICK - YES, COLLEEN TUCK- ABSENT, TONY BEATY- ABSENT, LEE RICHARDS- YES, BUSTER HARMON - YES, TIM BOOHER- ABSENT, DONALD WELLS- YES, DARWIN CLARK- YES, DAVID GORE- YES, MARK PRESLEY-ABSENT, LEANA NEAL- YES, GREGG NIVENS-YES

Motion carries

03.09.2023.7 Other Reports -

03.09.2023.7.1 Chairman Report

Nothing to report at this time.

03.09.2023.7.2 Budget Committee

Colleen Tuck was not present but sent correspondence to the board to pay special attention to the line item of travel / training expenses in the financials, it is close to being over at this time.

03.09.2023.7.3 Policy and Audit Committee Report

Nothing to report at this time.

03.09.2023.7.4 Employee and Salary Committee Report

Nothing to report at this time.

03.09.2023.7.5 Director's Report

Chris Masiongale addressed the board. One more travel set for two dispatchers to go to TIES user conference, which is a training for NCIC certification. They are the PSAP's TAC and alternate TAC and this is a requirement to attend. Janise Schopieray advised all financials for this trip have been issued out of QuickBooks. Scott LeDuc advised if the line item goes over, at that point the board will need to vote to move funds from an alternate line item or expand the budget.

Ron Huitt donated a physical therapy table to OPECD for the dispatchers to utilize when needed.

The center has been on the current CAD system for seven years and it is time to make the choice to either stay with this vendor or change. Will need to meet with the budget committee on the cost.

We are in the process of programming radios; they are working on Hilham this week. Seven out of the twelve fire departments have been reprogrammed.

Rapid SOS is now in the process of BETA testing implementing text to 911.

03.09.2023.8 Counsel and Consultants

Legal Counsel

Mike Mahn addressed the board. Previous council reports were provided to the board. He advised there are three bills they are watching closely. The first is to recognize 911 dispatchers as first responders for the purpose of death benefits. The second is for a specialty license plate to be issued for 911 Dispatchers. There is no foreseen opposition to either of these bills. The third is a bill that will require all ECD's to dispatch all 911 calls without being transferred. This is the second or third time it has been attempted and has failed each time. Scott LeDuc advised the sheriff's association of TN is not for this and at this time it is not on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

03.09.2023.9 OTHER BUSINESS

A. 03.09.2023.9.1 OLD BUSINESS-

- a. Chris Masiongale advised the two radios have not been purchased but will be done soon as they advised what is needed.
- b. Chris advised we need to schedule a couple budget committee meetings. Date set for April 6, 2023, in Chris's office at 6 pm.

B. 03.09.2023.9.2 NEW BUSINESS -

- a. Steven Barlow addressed the board concerning the cost involved in the addressing of property. Other counties have a charge or fee for the process of providing a 911 address for new construction or improvements to property. The board would have to approve the charge to offset the cost. Some counties due to the influx of out of state residents are assessing based on the dollar amount of the structure being built and taking a percentage. Other counties may charge a base rate and then mileage or a fixed rate. The OPECD board will have to approve it and then it will have to go before the Overton County board for approval as well before it can be

implemented. Discussion of also require the driveway to be established before an address is given. Darwin Clark advised the Overton County policy is that a 911 address has to have been given to the property before a culvert would be placed. LeDuc advised Coffee County requires the footer to be in place before address issued or issue a temporary address if living in a RV with a separate fee for a permanent address if needed. The Board advised Chris to gather information from surrounding counties and go from there before advertising the instatement of the charge.

03.09.2023.10 NEXT MEETING

A special called meeting is set for June 8, 2023, for the first reading of the 2023/2024 OPECD Budget. The second reading will be at the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 22, 2023. Both meetings will be held in the OPECD boardroom at 6pm. All members can attend electronically.

Motion to adjourn made by Randall Boswell. A second was made by Darwin Clark. All in favor- motion carries