

**MASON-OCEANA 911 BOARD**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 16, 2022**

**PRESENT:** Kim Cole  
Jim Coleman  
Dale Goodrich  
Ron Christians

Jody Hartley  
Laude Hartrum  
Jim Herrema  
Tim Kozal

Troy Maloney  
Craig Mast  
Jesse Bowman

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF:** Ray Hasil  
Todd Myers  
Chris Ernst  
Connie Blaauw

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order by Chairman Mast at 10:01 a.m.

**GUEST/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:** Garry McKeen

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda was presented as part of the Board packet.

**Motion by Hartley and supported by Cole to approve the agenda as presented. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

January 2022 minutes were presented as part of the Board packet.

**Motion by Hartrum and supported by Christians to accept the January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Hartley presented the Treasurer's report for January 31, 2022.

Total Revenues – January 31, 2022: \$ 52,622.49  
Total Expenditures – January 31, 2022: \$ 123,272.57  
Fund Balance as of – January 31, 2022 \$ 1,154,493.51

**Motion by Kozal and supported by Coleman to accept the January Treasurer's report, and approve the payment of claims for February 2022 in the amount of \$786.90. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS - None**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Personnel

- Trainee Alexis Krueger began her final phase of training on Monday and we look forward to her being released to work on her own soon.
- New trainee Mandy Highland is progressing well.

Approved: 3/16/2022

### Collaboration Projects

- Lake County CAD- no update.
- A major Viper update was completed this week for all 6 Mid-Mitt consortium 911 centers. Todd coordinated the update that was performed by NSOIT. This major update has been 9 months in the making and will bring us current with our multimode software.

### Radio Communications Updates

- Lakeshore Coverage- we have communicated to Motorola that we do not believe that constructing 800 MHz infrastructure is the answer for lakeshore coverage. Instead, we are looking at a number of alternative solutions that could be deployed for much less cost than MPSCS towers. We are scheduled to see a presentation on Motorola Nitro. Nitro is an LTE solution that can be deployed to different communities residing on Lake Michigan.
- Encryption- we met with Motorola on January 20, and then again last week. A TAC committee meeting is needed to discuss cost estimates for upgrading our communications to incorporate AES256 encryption.
- An ARGUS battery charger system for the Mason Co EM 8TAC91 repeater was ordered. A Honda EU2200i generator was also ordered for use with the repeater. We are working on quotes for a “mobile mast” trailer. The project will allow 911 to rapidly deploy an 8TAC repeater that can reach very tight spaces in very little time and is not dependent on a vehicle for power.

### Other Updates

- Mason-Oceana 911 was randomly selected for a state 911 compliance review. The review includes a comprehensive review of state/local 911 revenues and expenditures, dispatcher training fund revenues and expenditures, policies, facility, 911 equipment & software. We submitted the exhaustive pre-review paperwork on Friday, February 11. Executive Assistant Connie Blaauw is very busy with the financial reporting, and Operations Manager Chris Ernst has been busy with the operational and training portions.
- Todd and Chris have been hard at work with various facility upgrades. Projects currently in progress include painting bathrooms, new carpeting for admin offices, locker rooms & weight room, new flooring for bathrooms, the kitchen, and the copy room, and replacing the remainder of window sills. Todd and Chris have performed some of the work but more complicated projects like carpet and tile are being bid out.
- Our meeting room/EOC is receiving some upgrades from Todd and Chris. A new projector screen that is large enough for modern projectors is on order. New TV screens have been installed.
- We successfully submitted our application for 2022 training funds from the State 911 Office and have already been notified that we will receive those funds this year.
- We are in the process of completing our annual MMRMA renewal questionnaire.
- Recent events have us looking at site security, inside and outside our facility.
- Ray and Chris met with the new Mason Co Rural Fire Authority administrator Carlene Zielinski on January 20.
- Ray attended the Mason Co Township Officials Association meeting on January 20.
- 911 is working with Life EMS, the Oceana Co Medical Control Board and a local FD to explore leveraging mutual aid requests with providers like the White Lake EMS and other agencies.
- Ray attended the Mason Co Rural Fire Authority meeting on January 27.
- Ray participated in a Ludington Pumped Storage tabletop exercise on February 10.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

3 employees have requested their complete 2022 HSA funds to be released.

**Motion by Hartrum and supported by Hartley to approve the release of 2022 HSA funds to the requesting employees. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

Local 911 surcharge renewal for both Counties

Hasil gave a brief overview that our Board has to approve an annual rate for the local 911 surcharge and pass that on to both County Boards for approval before the request is passed on to the State of Michigan SNC Office. Hasil is requesting to remain at the same rate as last year, which is \$2.09.

**Motion by Hartley and supported by Hartrum to keep our local surcharge at the current rate of \$2.09. A roll call vote was taken: Cole, yea; Coleman, yea; Bowman, yea; Goodrich, yea; Christians, yea; Hartley, yea; Hartrum, yea; Herrema, yea; Kozal, yea; and Mast, yea. Motion Carried.**

With no further business a motion was heard to adjourn the meeting.

**Motion by Hartley and supported by Kozal to adjourn the meeting at 10:41. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

NEXT SCHEDULED meeting will be March 16, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at the Mason-Oceana 911 Conference room, located at 9160 N. Oceana Drive, Pentwater.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Blaauw, Secretary