

**Statewide Emergency Services Internet Protocol Network
Steering Committee
November 17, 2017**

The November 17, 2017 In-Person meeting of the ESINet Steering Committee was held at 1:00 PM. Melissa Wulliger called the roll.

Members present or via telephone:

Senator Frank Hoagland, Ohio Senate

Representative Rick Carfagna, Ohio House of Representatives

Matthew Hiscock, Ohio Municipal League

Commissioner Ed Humphrey, County Commissioners' Association of Ohio

John Leutz, County Commissioners Association of Ohio

Jason Loree, Ohio Township Association (arrived at 1:08)

Tom Robbins, Ohio Municipal League

A quorum was present

Other Attendees:

Stu Davis, CIO State of Ohio

Hiliary Damaser, Assistant Ohio Attorney General

Rob Jackson, Ohio 9-1-1 Administrator

Mr. Davis opened the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and committing so much of their time on these issues. Mr. Jackson proceeded with the first agenda item, which was to approve the meeting minutes from October, 2017. Mr. Jackson asked if any of the members present had any revisions or comments regarding the minutes. There were no changes, so Mr. Jackson requested a motion. *A motion was made by Mr. Robbins to accept the minutes and was then seconded by Representative Carfagna. There were no discussions and a roll call vote was taken:*

Senator Hoagland – Yes

Representative Carfagna – Yes

Commissioner Humphrey – Yes

Mr. Hiscock – Abstained – He was not present at the last meeting.

Mr. Leutz - Yes

Mr. Robbins-Yes

All committee members voted to approve the minutes.

Next, Mr. Jackson introduced R.D. Porter, who is with Federal Engineering. Mr. Jackson explained the purpose for Mr. Porter's presentation. He continued to explain what Federal Engineering was asked to do for the Ohio 9-1-1 Program Office. Mr. Porter talked about their feasibility study, help with the RFP and an update on their economic impact and funding study which identifies what it would take for the State of Ohio to build, maintain and operate a

statewide NG9-1-1 core services system and ESINet and to continue the current local funding. Mr. Porter began his presentation by referencing the two reports that have been provided to the 9-1-1 Program Office and the ESINet Steering Committee. At the end of his presentation, he asked for questions. There was a discussion regarding the wireless device fee, the universal fee and an increased wireless device fee. Mr. Hiscock and Commissioner then asked a few questions regarding the fees. One being that Mr. Porter stated that in the referenced report, the recommended fee will provide a contingency for the maintenance and operation of the system. However, the recommended fee will not provide for expansion or a reserve fund for a complete system replacement.

Mr. Hiscock brought up the need for an auditor, legalities and disclosure agreements. Mr. Porter said that it has been done both ways with either a neutral third party and/or an internal auditor. Mr. Jackson shared that the model legislations that was reviewed has implemented the rule that if a carrier generates more than \$1Million tax off of the fee, it was required to obtain a neutral third-party, external auditor. That auditing language is not in our proposal at this time.

Mr. Jackson asked for subcommittee updates. Jeff Smith, chair of the Technical Standards Sub Committee, had nothing to report at this time. Jay Somerville, chair of the PSAP Operations Subcommittee, reported that Mr. Jackson asked for a recommendation from the chair on the training curriculum that is required in the PSAP Operations training. Mr. Somerville recommends that the county coordinators for each county are engaged since they will be the point contact for the support and compliance visits.

Mr. Jackson continued with the request for approval of the PSAP Operations Sub-Committee member. It is one of the CCAO seats. Warren County had to drop off due to a change in employment. Mr. Leutz recommended Kim Brandt, Van Wert County. Mr. Jackson requested a motion. *A motion was made by Commissioner Humphrey to approved Kim Brandt as a new member. It was then seconded by Mr. Leutz. There were no discussions and a roll call vote was taken:*

Senator Hoagland – Yes
Representative Carfagna – Yes
Commissioner Humphrey – Yes
Mr. Hiscock – Yes
Mr. Loree - Yes
Mr. Leutz - Yes
Mr. Robbins-Yes

All committee members voted to approve the new member.

Mr. Jackson continued with Mr. Leutz's request to add an At-Large Committee member for the PSAP Operations Sub-Committee. Mr. Jackson previously conferred with our Assistant Attorney

General regarding the law, and there are no issues. Lisa Rafferty, Cuyahoga Manager of The Cuyahoga Emergency Communications System (CECOMS) which serves every PSAP in the county. Senator Hoagland questioned whether or not this position is necessary. Mr. Leutz answered that it is felt that this is a necessary appointment for a large county. Mr. Jackson requested a motion to approve the At-Large committee member to the PSAP Operations Sub-Committee. *A motion was made by Mr. Loree to add Lisa Rafferty, Cuyahoga County, as a new At-Large member of the PSAP Operations Sub-Committee. It was then seconded by Representative Carfagna. There were no discussions and a roll call vote was taken:*

Senator Hoagland – Yes

Representative Carfagna – Yes

Commissioner Humphrey – Yes

Mr. Hiscock – Yes

Mr. Loree - Yes

Mr. Leutz - Yes

Mr. Robbins-Yes

All committee members voted to approve the new At-Large member.

Mr. Jackson gave the floor to Jay Somerville, Chairman of the PSAP Operations Sub-Committee, so that he could present his PowerPoint regarding the revisions proposed in the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 128. For more information regarding this presentation, please view the PowerPoint.

After a brief break, Senator Hoagland dropped off the line. A quorum was still present. Mr. Jackson proceeded with the meeting by introducing the guest speakers. Colonel Prickett, Chief Deputy of Clinton County Sheriff's Office addressed the Committee regarding the Sheriff's Association and requested that the committee support expanding allowable expenditures for wireless 9-1-1 funds to include necessary hardware, software and connectivity options for response vehicles.

The next guest speaker was Mark Wasylshyn, Sheriff of Wood County and BSSA President. His request from the Committee was that a sheriff be mandatorily placed on each county's 9-1-1 Planning Committee.

Speaker Retired Fire Chief Hauck, President of the Ohio Fire Association. He asked that the ESINet Steering Committee consider adding two more members. While they are not opposed to a Sheriff serving, they are opposed to it being mandatory.

Rob Herring, Jefferson County 9-1-1, shared concerns regarding the current wireless surcharge and determining the rate to be charged for the universal fee. There is nothing in Federal Engineering's report that addresses the cost to develop, maintain, train and staff for such

services. He requested that the surcharge rate be set at a point which will fund the increases for the counties.

Satoru Persons, Director of Communications and Security Technology Division for The Ohio State University, Department of Public Safety and also President of Ohio Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) spoke on behalf of APCO. Regarding Section 128 and the two options presented. APCO recommends the adoption of option 1.

Rob Jackson shared that Ohio NENA will not be taking a position on this matter at this time.

Mr. Davis shared that there are so many options to consider for the January in-person meeting so that the Committee can come to a decision. He thanked all of the speakers and presenters.

Mr. Hiscock's last comment was that he felt that the comments submitted by Ashtabula County should be shared as well.

Mr. Jackson shared the RFP update, no announcement has been made until legislation is passed and the procurement process is complete as mandated.

9-1-1 Administrator Update. Mr. Jackson stated that as mentioned before there is a County 9-1-1 Focus Group, made up of 15 county coordinators with the desire to participate in shaping the program. Sharon McMurray, our new Support and Compliance Coordinator, will solicit feedback from the county representatives regarding the PSAP Operations rules and upcoming compliance visits.

Mr. Jackson **can now pound his chest** because he has visited ALL 88 counties in the State of Ohio. He feels these visits have been beneficial to the counties and to the Ohio 9-1-1 Program Office.

Lastly, Mr. Jackson asked if any committee members had new business to discuss:

Senator Hoagland – No Answer (it was unclear if the call was dropped)

Representative Carfagna – No new business, but is very appreciative of everyone's efforts in coming the recommendations.

Commissioner Humphrey – No

Mr. Hiscock – No new business but would like to thank everyone from the subcommittee for all of their hard work.

Mr. Leutz – No

Mr. Loree - No

Mr. Robbins-No

Mr. Davis said welcome Kim Brandt and would like to thank everyone who gave so much time and effort to this very important issue.

Mr. Jackson consulted the calendars of the Steering Committee members for a date to have the teleconference in December. It appeared that December 19th at 11:00 worked for most of the committee. Mr. Jackson then requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. *Mr. Hiscock made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Robbins. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.*