

Iowa E911 Communications Council Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015
West Des Moines City Hall – Council Chambers
4200 Mills Civic Parkway
West Des Moines, IA

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steven Ray at 9 a.m. A quorum was determined from the roll call as indicated below.

Roll Call

	Representative	Attendance
Iowa Association of Public Safety Communications Officers (APCO) Secretary	Sally Hall	Excused
alternate	Cara Sorrells	Present
Iowa Chapter of the National Emergency Number Association (NENA)	Kirk Hundertmark	Present
alternate	Rob Koppert	Present
Iowa State Sheriffs & Deputies Association (ISSDA)	Robert Rotter	Excused
alternate	Dean Kruger	Present
Iowa Peace Officers Association (IPO)	Tim Sittig	Present
alternate	Sandy Morris	
Iowa Professional Firefighters (IAPFF)	Mike S. Bryant	Present
alternate	Doug Neys	
Iowa Firefighters Association (IFA)	Mark Murphy	
alternate	Tom Berger	Present
Iowa Emergency Managers Association (IEMA)		
Vice-Chairperson	Bob Seivert	Present
alternate	Jo Duckworth	
Iowa Department of Public Safety (IDPS)		
Chairperson	Steven P. Ray	Present
alternate	Adam Buck	
Iowa Emergency Medical Services Association (IEMSA)	Rob Dehnert	Present
alternate	Paul Andorf	
Iowa Telephone Association <15,000	Daniel Nichols	Present
alternate	Pat Snyder	
Iowa Telephone Association >15,000	Dan Halterman	Present
alternate	Wayne Johnson	Present
Cellular Providers	Steve Zimmer	
alternate	Bill Tortoriello	
PCS Providers	David Kaus	Present
alternate	Joe Sargent	
Auditor of the State, Ex-Officio member	Warren Jenkins	Absent
Staff:		
Blake DeRouchey		Present
Randy Goddard		Present
Guests:		
Scott Schultz, Motorola	Doug McCasland, Warren County E911	
Josh Halterman, IDOT	Diane Sefrit, SCI 911	
Lori Riley, Perry Police Dept.	Jason Study, Pottawattamie County 911	
Stacen Gross, GeoComm	Scott Locker, Polk County Sheriff's Office	
Laurie Hickok, TCS	Robert Anderson, Pottawattamie County 911	
Dina McKenna, Story County Sheriff's Office	Butch Hancock, CenturyLink	
Sarah McClure, Ames Police Dept.	Brent Long, Polk County Sheriff's Office	
Brad Shutts, Jasper County Sheriff's Office	Tom Lampe, Department of Public Safety	
Craig Allen, Iowa SWIC	Jim Lundsted, DHS-OEC	
Samantha Brear, Polk County 911	Marie Carlson, Iowa State University Police	
Connie Hambly, Story County E911	Kevin Condon, Iowa Communications Alliance	

Introductions

Chairperson Steven Ray welcomed everyone. Board members and those in attendance introduced themselves.

Approve the Minutes

There was no approval of the previous meeting minutes due to them not getting sent out to everyone in time. They will be approved at the next meeting to ensure everyone gets a chance to review them.

Approve the Agenda

Motion by Kirk Hundertmark, seconded by Tim Sittig to approve the agenda. All ayes. Passed.

State of Iowa Administrator Reports (Blake DeRouchey)

911 Program Financial Report

There was no financial report.

Program Update/NexGen 911 Update

Mr. DeRouchey reported that he and Laurie Hickok had spent about three hours yesterday at Buena Vista County rolling out their beta test text to 911 with the GEM client. It went really well. There was about one hour of training with a couple of dispatchers and after that it was playing with the system and seeing what all they could do with it and how it was reflected within GEM. The dispatchers picked it up really fast. The admin portion of the product worked really well. There were no issues with that roll out. They are live as of today. They are going to hold off on doing any sort of press release or media announcement until they make sure everything is good to go and they are comfortable with the system. They do have the training ready to roll out as well for the next eleven counties for text to 911.

Homeland Security did sign a second contract with GeoComm to continue the GIS work. To basically refine the data that they receive and create a portal to upload, download and exchange the GIS data with the counties. That will ultimately feed TCS and your ALI information on your consoles.

Reports of Officers, Boards and Standing Committees

Technical Advisory – Dave Kaus

Mr. Kaus reported that he only had one thing.

Mr. Kaus – It looks like we aren't the only ones that have problems getting PR out. The European community has just launched a program in which they are putting 911 information in all of their airports. It seems as though after they took the survey there is only about 33 percent of the European people population who know what 112 is in Europe. Other than that in case you are having trouble sleeping they've got a new 116 page FCC report out on accuracy. You can read up on that and find out all the latest.

Wireless Carryover Fund PSAP Application Approvals

Mr. DeRouchey reported that there are six applications for approval. These were sent out by email by Mr. DeRouchey. Mr. Ray asked if everyone had the opportunity to review them. They consisted of applications from:

- 1) Page County for the Shenandoah Communication Center for \$100,000 for AVTEC console equipment through RACOM.
- 2) Story County for Ames Police Department for \$33,215 to upgrade existing equipment to i3 project standards with Zetron. This is a companion project with Story County.
- 3) Winneshiek County for the Decorah Police Department for \$100,000 for a GeoComm upgrade of GIS data and E911 call mapping system.
- 4) Polk County for Polk County for \$100,000 for an Exacom Insight G-2 logging recorder.
- 5) Story County for Story County for \$15,955 for the above mentioned Ames Police Department Zetron i3 companion project.
- 6) Adair County for Adair County for \$29,736.90 to replace critical spares back up equipment.
- 7) Guthrie County for Guthrie County for \$24,375 to give backup electrical power with a generator
- 8) Jefferson County for Jefferson County for \$1986.78 to update CPU's and monitors.
- 9) Ida County for Ida County for \$100,000 for a VIPER upgrade with CenturyLink.

There were no questions from the floor. Tim Sittig asked to abstain from the Polk County application. Mr. Ray asked for a motion to approve the applications as presented excluding the one from Polk County. Dave Kaus makes a motion to approve all of those applications, seconded by Rob Dehnert. All ayes. Motion passed. Next Kirk Hundertmark makes a motion to approve the application from Polk County, seconded by Rob Dehnert. All ayes. Tim Sittig abstains.

Mr. Seivert – We have nine applications that we looked at and the available amount of money is obviously \$900,000 and of that \$505,000 has been obligated with these nine counties. That's 56 percent. Last time we met it was 51 percent.

Reports of Officers, Boards and Standing Committees

Legislative updates – Bob Seivert

Mr. Seivert – I have got kind of good news and bad news. Bad news, I don't know if it is really bad news, but the good news is both bills that reflect the proposal from the 911 Council are out. Senate Study Bill 1131 has been assigned to a sub-committee and that sub-committee will meet Tuesday at noon at the Capitol in room #206. And if you want to be able to speak to the three Senators that are in that sub-committee that is the forum in which we can do that. I would anticipate the Council, Emergency Management, APCO, NENA, ISSDA and anyone else that wants to actually discuss this bill with those three Senators that is the time and place to do it. The House version which is identical to the Senate version, which is a real plus, that allows it so that when it is passed on both sides it can go to the Governor's office. It doesn't have to go to a conference committee if it is passed in its existing format. Both bills actually do reflect exactly what we have asked. The House version is House File 199 and I don't know that it has been assigned to sub-committee yet. As that information becomes available we will share it with you.

Mr. Seivert – The other thing that came out last night, I am going to pass this around, this is an appropriations bill, I believe. A Governor's budget bill. I will give that a chance to go around.

Mr. Dehnert – Is this the same as you emailed out?

Mr. Seivert – Yes. Were you able to open it up?

Mr. Dehnert – Yes.

Mr. Seivert – You will find some highlighted language on the second and third pages. Everybody have their copies? Ok, this is the fear that we had that somebody would make a grab for the wireless surcharge money. And basically what this says is that the E911 Program Manager, Blake, shall reimburse a provider on a quarterly basis for actual annual lease costs associated with the operation of a statewide land mobile radio communications system that interfaces with the Iowa Interoperability radio platform. It doesn't have a dollar amount it just says they will pay the bill. So visiting with the Emergency Management lobbyist this morning he sounded fairly confident that this wasn't going to get very far. There would just be a tremendous uprising and opposition to this. So it came from the Governor's office how it got there I guess it remains to be seen. But, pretty unreasonable and I don't know, Jim Lundsted, if this would constitute a raid on the wireless funds and disqualify Iowa for future grants?

Mr. Lundsted – The FCC is all over the place when it comes to guidance on this right now.

Mr. Seivert – There it is. That is the big ugly dragon that we were afraid was going to rear its head. It's out in the open now and I would encourage you to keep an eye on this. As an appropriations bill this is live until midnight of the day that the House and Senate goes home. We have got some time on this. Do a little research and if necessary I think we can develop a tremendous push that needs to be directed towards the Governor's office. That is the direction that it needs to go. Any questions on that? Anybody scared yet?

Mr. Koppert - I will be the one to ask the question. I don't think Governor Branstad is key enough to figure this out. I am trying to be politically correct. Basically, it is obvious that he didn't come up with this on his

own accord. It had to come from somewhere. Is this from Homeland Security and Emergency Management? Is it from ISICSB? Is it from the State Patrol? Is it from DOT? Where did the little bird speak to Branstad from?

Mr. Goddard – It is not from Homeland Security.

Mr. Koppert – Did Schouten put it out?

Mr. Goddard – I talked with John Benson this morning and it did not come from our office.

Mr. Bryant – I don't know. I have done some checking with legislators and some people on some other boards and they either knew about it last night the same time I did or they didn't know about it. And I don't think any of the ones I have talked to are lying so I don't have a place to point. Maybe we will find out and maybe we won't. Yeah, I would like to know myself. But I think the bigger thing is here, and I know that I am preaching to the choir or repeating myself, it is time to be proactive and not reactive. It's time to be involved with HF199 and SSB1131 by talking to your local legislators, the groups you represent, and going back getting people. Explaining that that's what we need and getting money back to the local level. It's no different than several other things that we have seen in the past years, in my opinion, of making the state budget look good by robbing it from the local budget. It's a shift of the burden. But either way the tax payer is going to pay for it someplace along the line. I want, my opinion is, we are the ones who fought for all these different changes in 34 over the last ten years and did all these legislative actions and now somebody wants to kind of pick the cream off the top and take it. Simply put they didn't really do the work in the past and I think it needs to go back to the local levels like we talked about because the need is there.

Mr. Koppert – The reason I asked Mike was, you know, we can educate Governor Branstad and hopefully he we acquiesce and take us out of this but we need to know, it would be nice to know where or how it got there so that we can educate them that portion. I am not against this concept of a statewide land mobile radio system. I am 100 percent for it but the funding should not come on the backs of the 911 PSAPS that are in the midst of upgrading and will be upgrading over the next few years and continuously maintaining that equipment. Because our equipment is getting more and more expensive the further along we go than it was 15-20 years ago. There are more and more things that are falling on the shoulders of these dispatchers and the local PSAPS.

Mr. Bryant – In my opinion surprises are not good and this was a surprise. And it goes against, I guess to me, the openness and transparency of what everybody is kind of after and working together. If you can't work together then you should at least agree not to counteract someone else. It's kind of the rules I play with and so, yeah, I agree with you.

Mr. Ray – Any other comments?

Mr. Seivert – What about the ISICSB? They are mentioned in this as...

Mr. Allen – I answer questions as asked. If asked, I answer questions. The agendas that I take with the Board is through their policy statements.

Mr. Seivert – Is there a policy statement from the ISICSB that directed someone to assist the Governor with putting this into language?

Mr. Allen – There is a policy statement from the Board that is currently being socialized, I would say is probably the right word, because what we do is we review them as a group and if there is any tension or push back we take them back and review them. If they don't get agreement then usually they are left to sit, we don't necessarily take a vote on them. If there is an agreement that it should move forward then it gets posted to the website for thirty days and at the end of thirty days if there has been no negative comment from anyone about the wording or the spirit of intent then the Board then takes a vote on it. That's the process that we follow according to the Attorney General's guidance. So there is a proposal that the Board would support awarding of the statewide contract for the radio system and that is. The reason I wrote it is it is exactly what the legislation says to establish the Board. The Board's primary

purpose, primary purpose, is to establish a statewide voice radio system from 2007. So, Bob, yes there is a document out there that has been going around for probably sixty days. It has been looked at by various committees and individuals involved in ISICSB. In fact as I recall I sat at Scott County and you were aware of that document as were others two months ago.

Mr. Seivert – I am.

Mr. Allen – Is there anything in that document that addresses funding. No. It is completely silent on funding. It says the Board is supportive and we have gotten this far and we think it makes sense for the state to act on a statewide system. That is all it says. It is silent on funding.

Mr. Seivert – Has there been any discussion on the ISICSB about using the wireless surcharge to fund this project?

Mr. Allen – To the best of my knowledge, no. I don't recall any conversation at any of the meetings about funding of the system. It is about whether or not the Board should say to the Governor and others this is the solution to address the legislative mandate we have been handed.

Mr. Seivert – So that I understand the radio system has been bid and let? And the dollar amount on that is? Does anybody know? Blake?

Mr. Allen – I can give you some round figures because I have heard those. I haven't read them; I just want to be clear. Because there are people I don't want them to think I have a perspective one way or the other. I don't care what vendor gets it as long as it's P25. I want to be clear about that. After that the award was bid with a ten year, some would say twelve year payback period and it was 68 million dollars. Now what does 68 million dollars get? Just the network, not a single radio. It's just the network. Kind of like the, I suspect it's kind of like, the network that Barb Vos worked for all those years. It provides that and makes it available to all of those who choose to use it. No one is forced to use it but it's an option for them. The subscriber units have to be purchased on their own. The consoles have to be purchased on their own. The 68 million gives you in essence a platform or a backbone to hang the systems. Let me give you an example of Johnson County or an individual system like Pottawattamie County so when those subscriber units go into the network wherever they travel they would have interoperability. So all of the sudden you are not running out of the ability to talk just because you are geographically slightly out of your home turf. That's what that 68 million is – 68 million as I recall from memory is something like, let's just say, it's roughly 6 million dollars a year. I know it's less than that up front, I don't remember that it is. Tom Lampe? It's about 6 million a year isn't it?

Mr. Lampe – It is 3.8, 3.8, 4.0 then it averages 6.0 million over seven years.

Mr. Allen – So it's lower on the front end because its ramping up, initially with construction and its getting stuff ready to go then it will ramp up and average, to the best of my ability, and when it's fully operational 6 million a year over seven years. Does that help?

Mr. Seivert – Yes. Somewhat kind of equates to over a ten year period.

Mr. Allen – Yes, 68 million over 10 years.

Mr. Seivert – So that would roughly equate to about \$170,000 a quarter in lease costs.

Mr. Allen – I haven't done that math, Bob.

Mr. Seivert – Ok.

Mr. Allen – I don't know what that math looks like.

Mr. Seivert – That is what it kind of what it looks like, quick math under pressure here. Just so you all know that is what that quarterly would equate to. I think when we talk to the Governor's office and when we talk about this among our legislators an important point to bring forward is that this system, as well as

FirstNet, all requires local buy in. That means we have to buy into the networks or use the networks. At the local level if my Sheriff wants to use it he will have to pay a fee to get on there. Is that kind of the concept that is out there Craig?

Mr. Allen – No. The conversations that I have heard would indicate that this platform being paid for would then not have subscriber fees associated with it.

Mr. Seivert – Because everything I have seen, even the Governor's statement, that you talked about earlier spoke about fees.

Mr. Allen – It spoke to the fact that they could charge fees. You are looking at a guy that thinks fees should be charged. The reason is because the system will have costs that often time get neglected in startup. But the point is that current discussions I have heard no one mention fees.

Mr. Seivert – I believe it is in that policy statement.

Mr. Allen – In the policy statement we said, because we didn't know, I mean at this point Bob when we started drafting that statement there was no funding stream identified. So if there isn't a funding stream identified by the state there has to be a funding stream identified somewhere to fund the system or we don't do the system. All the board is saying is that they are supportive of the system regardless of how it is funded.

Mr. Koppert – Bob, I have to make a correction. It is 1.7 million a quarter.

Mr. Seivert – Ok, thank you. My math under pressure doesn't work good. So 1.7 million per quarter?

Mr. Koppert – Yes.

Mr. Kaus – Would this interfere with any of the federal grants that are hinged on 911 surcharge money only being used for 911, the completion of the call?

Mr. Lundsted – I can't say.

Mr. Kaus – I do believe awhile back when we were going into NexGen there was a federal mandate that said if the money was used for anything other than 911 NexGen the grant would be, have to be paid back to the federal government.

Mr. Seivert – I believe there are several states that are not getting federal money because of that. At some point somebody probably has to bring this to the attention of the FCC and say, hey, does this constitute a raid on the funds. And then they would be the judge and the people who determine that. I guess everyone is aware of it and the last thing I have is I have developed a spreadsheet based on the amount of funds that changing the surcharge from 46 percent to about 80 percent, based on the formula, and the needs that would put about 5,633,754 million available to the PSAPs each quarter and I have the break down for each individual county here that would amount to. Since Rob is here, what do you get for a current surcharge a quarter?

Mr. Koppert – Probably \$24,000-\$25,000 a quarter.

Mr. Seivert – Ok if this bill passes you are going to go to \$45,667.

Mr. Koppert – I'll take it.

Mr. Seivert – Other counties? How about Story County? What are you getting today?

Ms. Hambly - \$43,000

Mr. Seivert – It would go to \$73,246 a quarter.

Mr. Bryant – It is not an exact science but it is about 80 percent more. You go from 46 percent to 83 percent and it is about an 80 percent increase. It's a round number.

Mr. Seivert – Other counties if you are interested? Sam you're the big winner.

Ms. Brear – I know that is why I didn't want to ask. I was keeping very quiet.

Mr. Seivert – You know some of our smaller counties they are going to end up, like Ringgold County you look at them, they are going to get about \$25,000 a quarter. That means a lot to them, I think we are finding, with radio equipment and the maintenance agreements as we move into the NexGen into the virtual environments. The software agreements are just tremendous. Those are costs none of us anticipated. A little ammunition to talk to your representatives about. If anybody else wants these numbers let me know. I can pull them up anytime.

Mr. Ray – Anything else? Any other comments?

Iowa Interoperability Governance Board – Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System Board (ISICSB) – Craig Allen – Mr. Allen reported that they are looking at June 9 and 10 for a SCIP update. There were a lot of changes that were discussed when we had our meeting with the 911 Council in regards to things they wanted to see in the SCIP. Mr. Allen felt there was a great deal of opportunity there to chart a course for Iowa in a way that we haven't done before. NG911 and some of the things discussed today he felt need to be on that plate. After that he would like to come back to the Council and the Board with any quarterly updates.

The ISICSB is still looking at expanding committees within the Board. Mr Allen had a discussion from the Emergency Medical group about getting a commitment from them. He is looking for some diversity and has also looked towards the private sector.

There is a policy statement that is going to be reviewed at the next meeting. The Board issued a petition that basically says we support doing what our primary mission is. The primary mission is finding a statewide voice radio system. It is silent to the funding piece because that can be quite a moving target. There is a comment there about user fees. Those might not be popular but that is one way to fund a system. The other way is through some other state general fund or dedicated fund. There is one move afoot and Mr. Allen stated that from his perspective it is helpful because it prompts conversations that ask is it needed. If it is needed where do the elected officials find the cash to make it happen? If it isn't needed then somebody should tell the Board because they have been trying to get something done that isn't needed. Mr. Allen then asked for questions from the audience.

Mr. Bryant - I have a couple. I don't know where I saw it. There's legislation out to add an EMS representative to the ISICSB Board? Correct?

Mr. Allen – That's correct. In 2013, two years ago, 15 months ago, the Board had a special meeting and at that time they recommended adding an EMS representative. We don't currently have a voting representative. From Craig's perspective that is a seat at the table that needs to be there. There also needs to be a seat at the table for EMA. There needs to be CIO. There needs to be the tribal representative. We have a tribal settlement here. So Craig has been advising the Board that they should take a position in support of that. So they voted to expand to accommodate EMS at a special meeting back, I want to say, November or December, somewhere in there. So at this point, if asked, that is my position. That the Board was supportive of adding EMS, EMA, CIO and a tribal representative. That could make things a little complicated getting quorums going so they are going to have to show up to make that happen. If we are going to say that Iowa is using a stake holder driven Interoperable Communications Board then it needs to be representative of those people that are charged with that. In Iowa as opposed to other states EMA has a very big hand in that. Emergency Management Commissions and Boards and things like that not all states have that. Here I think it is important that we have that extension. The thing about EMS if you think about interoperability it is one of the three, interoperability is police, fire and EMS. Does that answer your question?

Mr. Bryant – Help me out. What is CIO?

Mr. Allen – It's the Chief Information Officer for the State of Iowa. Because there are a variety of things, as you know, data is coming down the path and it fits right in the wheelhouse of what this Council is doing. So to have that player at the table I think is helpful.

Mr. Bryant – So the language currently just talks about the EMS rep.

Mr. Allen – I am not a tracker of legislation. So the whispers that have been in my ear is that there is one bill out there that says EMS/EMA and another bill that mentions just EMS. And I believe there is another bill that mentions CIO.

Mr. Bryant – Ok.

Mr. Allen – So I don't know if there is any one that gets all of them. That is what we talked about. I have heard no discussion about it.

Mr. Bryant – The reason I ask is, when I am talking to my legislators, does the left hand know what the right hand is doing?

Mr. Allen – We have been in support of that. It wasn't a published policy statement before it just didn't get published. So now we are publishing those things.

Mr. Bryant – Ok. The other one, I don't think it is on the agenda, the other one that is out there is the PSAPs being able to use the ICN.

Mr. Koppert – That's SF20 I think.

Mr. Bryant – Yes, Senate File 20. I don't know if we need to talk about that one. I don't want to interfere with...

Mr. Allen – My perspective on that, it is not the Board's perspective, this is Craig's perspective. I want to be clear, Cara. This is not the Board's perspective it's Craig's perspective. It shouldn't matter what the, what fiber is used it should be that what is most advantageous to public safety. And I realize that can get a little sticky in certain places but that is my perspective. Is it right to go out of your way to do this when that is sitting right there? Be it a private entity that provides the service, if it is sitting right there why should they have to go use the ICN or vice versa. So from a PSAP perspective if asked that is my perspective. I want to make it clear that is my perspective and the Board hasn't issued me any directive on that. Is everyone consistent with that? Does anyone think that is a bad place to be? Ok.

Mr. Bryant – I tried to, and I am not very techy, tried to go to the webpage and look for the outreach schedule. Is it on the calendar part?

Mr. Allen – Yes. We are redoing the website. I would like to make it a lot more elegant and we are. I think you will find that when we finally get to pull the trigger on the new one then it will be a lot easier for you to navigate through. I do want to say publicly that DOT has done a lot for us to support that and I am very appreciative of that. They have put a lot of their own private energy into now that we are moving forward. It will make it a little more smooth.

Mr. Bryant – I was just looking, I found the calendar. Then, of course, you have to click on each date to find out where it was and what it was. I didn't know if I was missing something else. A summary?

Mr. Allen – I don't think so. We just stopped putting energy into that and are putting energy into the new one.

Mr. Bryant – That is all the questions I have. Thanks.

Mr. Ray - Anything else for Craig?

Mr. Ray – Thank you.

Mr. Allen – Thank you.

Items for Discussion

None

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

New Business

None

Travel Requests

APCO/NENA – Mr. Ray asked if anyone had an interest in attending APCO/NENA from the Council. Bob Seivert, Kirk Hundertmark and Mike Bryant all expressed an interest. Mr. Ray asked for a motion to approve any that would like to go to attend and turn in their reimbursement to Homeland Security. Motion made by Dean Kruger, seconded by Tom Berger. All ayes. Motion passed. Mike Bryant asked Blake the process for claims for overnight lodging. Blake DeRouche advised it was fifty miles to qualify.

Business From the Floor / 911 Issues at the PSAPs

Mr. Seivert advised he thought the Council should make a firm statement in its opposition to use wireless surcharge money to fund the 700 MHz system in any way. He thought it should be a matter of record and a reference point for others who are also interested in that.

Mr. Seivert – I would make that motion.

Mr. Kaus – Wouldn't that also fall into that time when we were fighting, not fighting, discussing us falling under the ISICSB. Wouldn't that also go to making a statement that they need to find other ways to fund that? Would that be appropriate?

Mr. Seivert – I am not on the ISICSB but I say that would be pretty clear.

Mr. Ray – I don't know if it would go back to, necessarily for them, but what you are potentially going to say the Council is against it is a Governor's initiative. So basically...

Mr. Kaus – But the ISICSB is a Governor's appointed board. Is it not?

Mr. Ray – It is. But as Craig mentioned they have not taken, the ISICSB has not made any statement on funding. If you want to make a statement from the Council to say no then it's basically you are saying no back to the Governor on his proposed budget.

Mr. Kaus – Then what are we proposing?

Mr Ray – I would say that is what Bob's proposing.

Mr. Seivert – I didn't say Governor, I didn't say ISICSB. I didn't say anything. This is a blanket statement. We don't want anybody to use the wireless surcharge money to fund the system.

Mr. Ray – Just to make it clear. This is an appropriations bill; this is what the Governor has asked for a way for the money to be used. It is not necessarily the ISICSB that has made that statement.

Mr. Bryant – I don't want to delay the motion because I know if we get a motion and a second we will have discussion but does this mean that we would notify the Governor of this? Or are we just notifying us here?

Mr. Seivert – This is just a position paper that says we are opposed to it.

Mr. Kaus – Where does this position paper go?

Mr. Seivert – In our minutes, as part of the record.

Mr. Kaus – Which means nothing.

Mr. Seivert – Ok, would you want to send a letter to the Governor?

Mr. Kaus – Yes.

Mr. Seivert – OK, I don't know why we couldn't.

Mr Bryant – We can do that in two motions, because I see it too. Take the position, and then there could be, but I am not trying to override the chair here.

Mr. Ray – I am just saying if you are going, if the Council wants to say that they do not support the Governor's initiative I think that in of itself is a pretty clear statement. If you want to follow it up with a letter I don't think that needs to be a motion I think that can just be part of what you request initially.

Mr. Ray – So you have made that motion. Is there a second on that motion?

Mr. Kaus – Second.

With a motion and a second Mr. Ray asked for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hundertmark – So then do we move that we follow it up with a letter to the Governor or not?

Mr. Ray – We can do that.

Mr. Hundertmark – Separate?

Mr. Ray – I will entertain that motion to follow up with a letter.

Mr. Kaus – I so move.

Mr. Hundertmark – Second.

The motion passed with Tim Sittig opposed.

Mr. Koppert – While you are writing letters, I think that is a good idea and I am glad that Dave and Kirk did that. You talked about how the FCC stands on this, I would like to see the Board write a letter to the FCC and ask for a reading on this.

Mr.Kaus – Would that fall under the director, or the 911 director, to find that out?

Mr. Koppert – I think it could be anybody.

Mr. Kaus – I know Barb did before and I guess I would rely on the state to ask that question.

Mr. Hundertmark – I would say it should come from the program manager's office. They are the ones in charge of it.

Mr. Sittig – I would move that the program manager inquire with the FCC as to their standing on this issue.

Dave Kaus seconded the motion and the motion carried without opposition. Blake DeRouchev was asked to make that inquiry. There was a brief discussion on what time frame would be expected for a response. That is unknown.

Announcements

Next meeting date – Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at 5 p.m. at Prairie Meadows in Altoona (immediately following the end of the Iowa NENA Spring conference training day).

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cara Sorrells, Alternate Secretary