

St. Mary Parish 911 Communications District

1200 David Dr. Building B

Morgan City, LA 70380

August 19, 2015

10:00 A.M.

Vice Chairman Matt Mayon opened the August 2015 meeting with a roll call. Mr. Mayon, Mr. McAllister, Mr. Richard and Mr. Arthur were at the meeting. Mr. Smith, Mr. Jackson and Mr. Verret, were unable to attend.

Vice Chairman Mayon called for a motion to accept the July 2015 meeting minutes. Mr. McAllister made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Richard seconded the motion. All members were in favor and the motion carried.

The income statement for July 2015 totaled \$81,688.88. Mr. Arthur made a motion to accept the deposit summaries. The motion was seconded by Mr. Richard. All members were in favor and the motion carried.

Expenses for the month of July 2015 totaled \$89,754.45. Mr. Arthur made a motion to accept the expense statements. His motion was seconded by Mr. Richard. All members were in favor and the motion carried.

New Business: Mr. Mayon told the members the 2015 revision of the budget was up for approval. Mrs. Angeron told the members that a major change is to transfer money from the fire equipment fund to the general fund for the yearly lease price and down payment to Intrado for the new equipment. The cost for employee insurance is expected to increase. Special Risk insurance as well as phone line costs are increasing. The 911 trunked line costs have decreased due to the maintenance contract cancellation. After discussing the changes, Mr. Richard made a motion to accept the budget revision. Mr. Arthur seconded the motion. All members were in favor and the motion carried.

Old Business: Mr. Blaine David with Advantage Resources attended the meeting. Mrs. Angeron presented the members with a cost breakdown of expenses per employee. Health insurance is the largest expense. Using the employment service 911 would save \$496.00 a month per employee. The members had several questions about the service, such as sick pay and other benefits. Mr. Richard made a motion to table the final decision until after hearing from the legal counsel. Mr. McAllister seconded the motion. All members were in favor and the motion carried.

Director Updates: The 911 center received 9509 calls in July of 2015.

Testing to receive texts from T Mobile will begin next week.

AT&T should begin paying the increased surcharges in August 2015.

All employees have been evaluated to receive 3% to 4.5% pay increases.

PIAL evaluations for Bayou Vista has been completed.

Three operators will be on duty at all times.

Jackie Price with HAM radios had a concern that 911 was interfering with her radios. Mr. Arthur assured the members that 911 is not the BEARS repeater problem.

The voice recorder at the center has new cables to alleviate a problem with noise on the lines.

The coroner's office has not contacted the center concerning the MOU.

Mrs. Angeron has requested rebids from BCBS to save money on the health insurance costs. She is also looking in to other possibilities.

The newly hired IT person has updated the backup program. The Intrado Tech is showing him the workings of the new equipment.

Mr. Smith has met with the Fire Association concerning the protocols for responding to medical calls. The fire departments agreed to all agree in writing which policy to follow.

General Discussion: none

Public Comment: Mr. Arthur told the members that he had received a complaint against 911 from the public. He had listened to the call, found no fault with 911 and highly commended the call taker.

Adjournment: Mr. Richard made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Arthur seconded the motion. All members were in favor and the motion carried.

Approved: _____

Ed Smith, Chairman

Attest: _____

Charlette Angeron, Director

