

Meeting Summary

Funding Committee

8/12/2014 Emerald Isle Conference Room 3514 Bush St. Raleigh, NC 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Members Present	Staff Present	<u>Guest</u>
Jason Barbour	Richard Taylor	
Laura Sykora	David Dodd	
David Bone - telephone	Tina Bone	
Tonya Pierce	Marsha Tapler	
Andrew Grant - telephone	Richard Bradford	
Members Absent	Staff Absent	

Chairs Opening Remarks

Jason called meeting to order at 1:38pm.

2. PSAP Funding Reconsideration

Martin County – had to spend money on a few small projects. Which doesn't leave him enough to do the telephone project, so he's asking for an additional \$139,593.58 making his total FY 2015 \$291,648.58. This will leave him up to a 20% fund balance. Staff recommends. David Bone and Laura Sykora recuse on voting. Tonya motion to approve request, Andrew 2nd. All in favor.

3. <u>Reconsideration of Eligible Expenditures</u>

A. Hiplink Paging – Richard Taylor explained what this software is/does. It is paging that is based on charging each department a programming and subscription fee. It is based on number of units that each department has. The cost for installing at Communication Center would be eligible, but other costs would not. Del Hall wasn't happy with that so we discussed it with the company. We still feel like it is not an eligible expense. It may fit in the license fee for tablets and such category, but I don't think it would fit.

Laura wants to know what service does. Marsha stated we do pay for a portion, but the costs for programming is not eligible. We already pay for the license costs for MCT, but we don't pay for the outward costs of all of the pagers. Jason asked if Del was wanting us to purchase the hardware. Richard Taylor stated no. Richard Taylor showed a brochure of Hiplink from Spillman. Discussion around paying for software versus hardware, etc.

Richard Bradford doesn't think there's enough information to make a decision. Jason thinks we should fund what it takes to get the information to the fire station. Richard Bradford wants documentation....full contracts, service contracts, etc.

B. PSAware APP – Donna Wright with Richmond County. Mobile app that lets users see their agency's on-premise CAD data. Richard Bradford asked what kind of data security is in this. My point here is to make sure we know all the things that we need to know. We need the documentation. Richard Bradford thinks we need to consider the consequences of the future as far as security and networking, etc. Marsha will get licensing information, contracts, etc.

Some discussion on admin line expense. Will discuss next meeting. Tonya suggests a longer meeting to discuss some issues. Laura agreed...wants Marsha to come up with her parts of pain so that we can discuss at a longer meeting.

4. Funding of Public School Safety Program

Tonya handed out and went over the proposal. This is an app that would be on a wireless device, included would be schematics etc. Teachers would have the device and be able to contact 911 sending data, video, floor plans, emergency plants, etc. Tonya would like to see the alarms come into the center.

Richard Bradford explained that this legislation was to require schools to have an alarm line to law enforcement.

Richard Bradford states that there's money to complete this process for safer schools so I'm not sure how much would be 911 eligible. If the committee wants to see it and has a better understanding and wants to do it, then we can figure out what parts can be funded.

Some discussion on when to see a demo. Richard Taylor will poll board members.

5. Expansion of Expenditure List

Richard Bradford stated that the boards review folks are saying that our expenditure list is not allowable, but he told them we might take it out of the rules, but we're going to have a list.

Richard Taylor wants to get us moving in a direction that we need to. We already know that some folks will be wanting to add things to the list in the long session....salaries, radio infrastructure, facility infrastructure, etc. Would like to have some kind of limitations on things such as admin lines, etc. The telco's aren't very concerned what the money is spent on; they just don't want to have to raise the fee. What kind of stance do we want to take? We want to help out local folks, but at the same time next generation 911 etc. will cost a lot. Laura stated that if we expand the list it will cut the grant fund. Andrew stated that a lot of folks don't know what's on the eligible list.

6. PSAP Funding Model

We need to move forward with a forward thinking model. Richard Bradford stated that for capital issues is an inability to carry funds forward so there is no capital planning. Planning is the easy part, but that doesn't mean that all of the PSAPs would. From a PSAP manager perspective, that's what they should be doing. So the board may need to tell them....we need you to do that. Richard Taylor understands the concept, but there's no safe harbor for the money. Much more discussion.

7. <u>Adjourn</u> at 3:33 Next Meeting is October 2nd at 1:30pm.