

COLUMBIANA COUNTY 911
EMERGENCY SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING
October 31st, 2023
1:00 – 2:00 P.M.

Those in attendance: Brian Rutledge, Tim Weigle, Jeremiah Cole, Scott Mason, Jenn Swords, JT Panezott, Rudy Sacchet, Peggy Clark, Cyndi Dickey, Joe Cappuzzullo, John Lane, Brian McLaughlin, Jenn Tucker, Krista Peddicord, Dave Casto

The meeting called to order by Brian Rutledge followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Brian reviewed the financials that were updated in the agenda.

Minutes distributed from previous meeting via email and available for review. with no additions or corrections- Motion to except minutes by Jeremiah 2nd S Mason- all in favor

Brian reported that the movement of the each of the PSAP's to the Sundance cloud has been completed. The only connection still on the old servers is here at the EMA. Once that is completed then it's possible, we might be able to cancel the Spectrum circuit that was used for MDT's in the past.

The special needs database has been activated in the CAD system. We have been provided 2 entries as of now from CCBDD. The entries are very similar to the entries made during COVID however there's a lot more information entered now. If it's filled out on the voluntary form, then it will be entered into the CAD system.

Brian announced that new 911 chairs have been ordered and apologized for the time it has taken. There have been several different models to choose from and it came down to warranty and service on the warranty. They should be arriving in about 3 weeks.

As we've talked about in the past, HB33 has now passed, and the new legislation became effected October 3rd. The new legislation passed and is going to take effect January 1, 2024, for funding. However, the other parts of the legislation such as rules went into effect on October 3rd. There is also a stipulation in place that the fee can go back to .25 in October of 2025 if sufficient funding has been obtained. The wireless fee coming in so low was very disappointing. Brian reported that legislatures are already reaching out to understand the impact this has on the counties. As a result of still not knowing what income will be generated from the new legislation, the discussion of consolidating must remain on hold for now. Also, with the new legislation the county is required to name a Program Review Committee. According to the new legislation, this committee will oversee the counties 911 and its final plan.

Peggy talked briefly about the Solar Eclipse happening in April of 2024. The county could see as much as a 50% increase in the number of people in the county. In the past, an eclipse such as this put a strain on the 911 system with increased call volume. Many of the calls originated after the eclipse as people were trying to return home.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 2, 2023 @ 1pm at the EMA office.

Motion to adjourn by JT 2nd by J Swords