

The Board of Directors of the Emergency Communications District (ECD) of Nashville and Davidson County met in regular session at the Metro Emergency Communications Center, 2060 15th Avenue South. Chairman Cleo Duckworth called the meeting to order at 3:00p.m. and presided over the meeting with the following members present: Wayne Tucker, Buford Tune, William Johnson, Eliud Trevino, and James Robertson. Board members Susan Mattson and Joe Sweat were absent. Others present included: Mark Lynam (ECD Admin); Rickey McWright, Michelle Peterson, Dwayne Vance, Danny Murray, and Christy Whisman (ECC), Pat Nolan (Dye, Van Mol & Lawrence), Senator Joe Haynes (Legal Counsel), Mike Evans, Randy Johnson, John Malpass, and Amanda Dikes (Motorola), Nancy Whittemore and Jody Clinnard (General Services), and Richard Riebeling (Finance).

Minutes

Mr. Tune made a motion for the Board to accept the minutes from the February 19, 2009 meeting. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by voice vote.

800MHz Radio System Upgrade

Ms. Amanda Dikes from Motorola gave a brief presentation on the "Next Generation" radio system that Metro is planning to purchase. Her presentation covered where we are currently at with the existing radio system, why now is a good time to move forward with the upgrade, and what we will have once the upgrade is complete. After the presentation was finished Mr. Riebeling gave out handouts showing what it will take to repay the \$18 million portion of the upgrade that the ECD Board is considering. His handouts showed the cost of principal and interest over a 3 year payback, 5 year payback, and 10 year payback. Ms. Duckworth stated that the ECD Board is in agreement that the upgrade needs to be done and that they will use these numbers for guidance as they prepare their capital budget. She stated that the ECD Board will try to have an answer on the funding issue after their April meeting.

Technology Requests

Mr. McWright asked for approval to purchase a Panasonic projector for the Emergency Communications Center. Cost of the projector (including installation) is \$7,696.45. Mr. Tune made a motion for the Board to approve the purchase of the projector. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by voice vote.

ECC Training Requests

Ms. Whisman presented the following items for the board's approval.

Training Materials

4418.03	Emergency Fire Dispatch Manuals (15 @ \$100)	\$ 1,500.00
	Emergency Medical Dispatch Manuals (15 @ \$100)	\$ 1,500.00
	Call-Taker Manuals (15 @ \$10)	\$ 150.00
	Computer Classes	<u>\$ 300.00</u>
	Total	\$ 3,450.00

Mr. Tune made a motion for the Board to approve the training requests. Mr. Robertson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by voice vote.

Employee Appreciation Banquet

Ms. Peterson informed the Board that the employee appreciation banquet will be held on April 16th. Also, as part of 911 Telecommunicator Week, the ECC will be providing ice cream for it's employees on April 12th and a cookout on April 14th. ECD Board members are invited to all events.

Public Awareness Update

Mr. Nolan updated the Board on the following items:

- Call analysis report for February 2009.
- Number of Rescue Rex shows booked and number of children reached.

- Ending of 311 service does not seem to be affecting call volume.
- ECC has asked DVL for help in coming up with ideas to draw people to ECC's website.
- DVL is looking into the possibility of producing brochures that could be handed out by the ECC at public appearances.
- DVL has entered the 911 program for consideration in the competition for the Parthenon Award.

Mr. Trevino made Mr. Nolan aware of the Hispanic festival that will be held at Coleman Park on March 23rd. Mr. Nolan will look into the possibility of having Rescue Rex appear at the event.

All Inclusive Update

Mr. McWright updated the Board on the following items:

- The upgrade of the telephone system at Harding is complete. Completion of the telephone upgrade at Compton is scheduled for April 6th.
- The TECB voted not to support HB204/SB208 that is pending in the State Legislature. The representative who sponsored the legislation is going to change it into a Study Committee.

ECD Surcharge Rate

Mr. Lynam informed the Board that he attended a meeting on March 16th regarding ECC's budget. At the meeting there were questions about the ECD surcharge fee. He was asked by Mr. Riebeling, Metro's Finance Director, to run numbers showing how much additional money could be generated if the surcharge fee was increased from \$.65 to \$1.50 for residential and from \$2.00 to \$3.00 for businesses. He was also asked to provide the procedure that must be followed for requesting a rate increase. Mr. Lynam provided this information to Metro officials on March 18th.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:35pm.

Minutes submitted by Mark Lynam