



CAECD Board of Managers | Summary Minutes

10:30 a.m. or upon adjournment of the Executive Committee, Wednesday, June 12, 2024
6800 Burleson Road
Building 310, Suite 165
Austin, Texas 78744

Present (20)

Mayor Lew White, City of Lockhart, **Chair**
Judge Brett Bray, Blanco County, **1st Vice Chair**
Mr. Matthew Baker, City of Round Rock, **2nd Vice Chair**
Judge Ron Cunningham, Llano County, **Secretary & Parliamentarian**
Judge James Oakley, Burnet County, **Immediate Past Chair**
Commissioner Clara Beckett, Bastrop County
Mayor Lyle Nelson, City of Bastrop
Council Member Kevin Hight, City of Bee Cave
Commissioner Joe Don Dockery, Burnet County

Council Member Ron Garland, City of Georgetown
Mayor Pro Tem Steve Hougen, City of Granite Shoals
Commissioner Walt Smith, Hays County
Ms. Esme Mattke Longoria, City of Leander
Commissioner Steven Knobloch, Lee County
Mayor Pro Tem Doug Weiss, City of Pflugerville
Ms. Janice Bruno, City of Smithville
Mr. Brandt Rydell, City of Taylor
Commissioner Cynthia Long, Williamson County
Commissioner Russ Boles, Williamson County
Representative Vikki Goodwin

Absent (6)

Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, City of Austin
Judge Hoppy Haden, Caldwell County
Judge Dan Mueller, Fayette County

Mayor Jane Hughson, City of San Marcos
Judge Andy Brown, Travis County
Commissioner Ann Howard, Travis County

1. **Call to Order and opening remarks by the Chair**

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. **Consider Approving Minutes for the May 8, 2024 CAECD Board of Managers Meeting**

Mayor White asked the board to consider approving the May 8, 2024 CAECD Board of Managers meeting minutes. Commissioner Long made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Dockery seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

3. **Consider Adopting a Resolution Setting the 9-1-1 Service Fee for FY 2025**

Richard Morales Jr., Emergency Communications Director

Mr. Morales asked the Board to consider adopting a resolution setting the monthly 9-1-1 service fee rate at \$.50 for FY 2025. He shared that in Texas, there are three components to the overall 9-1-1 fee:

- 9-1-1 Service Fee; charged to each local access line or equivalent and known as traditional landline service, currently \$.50 per month.
- 9-1-1 Wireless Fee; charged to each activated cell phone, currently \$.50 per month.
- 9-1-1 Prepaid Wireless Fee, currently two percent (2%) of the purchase price.

The 9-1-1 wireless fee and the 9-1-1 prepaid wireless fee are set at the state level. The 9-1-1 service fee is set by the state for the Councils of Government and by the boards of each emergency communications district.

Ms. Voights noted there is currently a concerning trend with the wireless fee revenue because it is not increasing at the same rate as past years and this begins to have an impact on our budget beginning the next fiscal year with a deficit; however, Proposition 8 funding passed last November was provided in lieu

of a wireless fee increase, so it's fitting that we begin using it to make up wireless revenue. This is not a long-term solution however and noted she expected this issue to be discussed at TARC meetings later that week.

Mayor White asked for a motion to approve the adoption of a resolution setting the monthly 9-1-1 service fee rate at \$.50 for FY 2025. Council Member Garland made a motion to approve. Ms. Bruno seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

4. Consider Amending FY 2024 Budget to Add Proposition 8 Funding

Andrew Hoekzema, Deputy Executive Director

Mr. Hoekzema ask the Board to consider amending the FY 2024 CAECD budget to add Proposition 8 funding in the amount of \$12,400,329.42. This is the funding that the Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) allocated to the CAECD in March 2024, from the Proposition 8 funding that passed in November 2023.

CAPCOG's share of the funding was based on population and a redistribution to ensure that all districts received at least \$373,492.32 in funding. The CAECD has already received half of the allocation, and we expect to receive the additional funding in the final quarter of FY 2024.

Mayor White asked for a motion to approve the amendment of the FY 2024 CAECD budget to add Proposition 8 funding. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve. Commissioner Dockery seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

5. Consider Approving Committee Appointments

Betty Voights, Executive Director

Ms. Voights mentioned reaching out to the City of Austin to fill the last Austin spot on the Emergency Communications District's Strategic Advisory Committee.

6. Staff Reports

Betty Voights, Executive Director

Ms. Voights did not have any staff reports to share with the board.

Mr. Morales reviewed the timeline for installation and activation of the new call handling equipment. He said that Bastrop is getting all its next generation equipment in and will be the first PSAP that will be Next Generation 9-1-1 capable. It will take about 3 months for everyone else, and the current system will be running alongside the new one.

7. Adjourn


Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 11:01 a.m.



Judge Ron Cunningham, Secretary

Board of Managers

Capital Area Emergency Communications District



Date