

# Cass County 911 Service Board

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## MINUTES

April 23, 2019 – 6:00pm  
Cass County 911 Center – 705 Poplar

Members present: Chris Jimerson (Atlantic), Mark O'Brien (CC EMA), Randy Baxter (Marne), Steve Green (CC BOS), Virginia Coughlin (Cumberland), Julie Adams (Griswold), Mitch Boysen (Wiota) and Jackson Bissell (Massena)

Members absent: Kevin Christensen (Brayton), Dave Reynolds (Elliott), Derrick Williams (Council Bluffs) Tom Harris (Anita), Ryan Archibald (Lewis) and Greg Vetter (Grant)

Staff present: 911 Director Mike Kennon

Citizens present: Josh Krause, Marne Fire Chief

Chair Steve Green called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

### Introductions

M/S/C Jimerson / Coughlin to approve the agenda as published. Carried unanimously.

M/S/C Bissell / Adams to approve the 1-22-2019 minutes. Carried unanimously.

M/S/C Coughlin / Jimerson to approve the Financial Statements since last meeting. Carried unanimously.

Director's Report: Mike Kennon updated the Board on the continued lack of progress in Cass County's ability to access the new Statewide Radio System. The County has still not yet received the consolette and other equipment from the State that will allow the Communications Center onto the statewide radio platform. Also, there has been very little done to reroute 911 emergency calls or start Virtual Consolidation of PSAP call-taking functions. Although, reps from RACOM and Zetron performed a site visit earlier this month.

Old Business: None.

Respectfully Submitted,



New Business: Kennon expressed the benefit of having some dual band radios disbursed throughout the County when Communications Center is up and running on the new statewide radio platform. He estimated that it would cost about \$100,000 to equip each fire/ems department with one handheld and one mobile (in-vehicle) radio. There was a brief discussion about what brand and model of radios to purchase the most economically. There was also a consensus to have the same brand of radio distributed to county responders, at least initially. Kennon then stated that he would continue to survey emergency response agencies and surrounding counties to determine which radio brands and models to purchase.

M/S/C Adams / Jimerson to approve the purchase of two dual band radios for each fire department in Cass County. Carried unanimously.

There were no public comments or concerns.

M/S/C Bissell / Jimerson to adjourn at 6:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Kennon", written over a horizontal line.

