

Klamath Radio Interoperability Executive Board Meeting

August 8, 2024 – 10:00am

at Klamath 911 Emergency Communications District Office

Present: Joanie Rote - Klamath 911 - Acting Director/Operations Manager
Matt Hitchcock - FD #1, Fire Chief
Greg Davis - FD #1, Fire Chief
Chris Kaber - KCSO, Sheriff
Rob Dentinger - Klamath Falls City Police
Jeremy Morris - Klamath County Public Works
James Wilson - FDB - Crescent Fire Chief

Absent: Mike Cook - KCAAC - Chiloquin RFPD, Fire Chief

Guests: Holly Kessler – Klamath 911 – Comm. Supervisor
Jessica Gibson – Kamath 911 – Business Manager
Rachelle Escatel – Klamath Tribes Emergency Manager
James Moore – Klamath Tribes Police
Mike Clark – Day Wireless

I. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by at 10:00 am.

A. Roll Call

B. Public Comment: None

C. Communications: None

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Meeting Minutes: Matt motioned to approve the meeting minutes from July 11th, Rob seconded, motion carried unanimously.

B. Claims & Demands: Joanie reviewed the following bills.

Angel Mt/Tigr in the amount of \$3011.71 (3.5% annual increase) for monthly rent, Pacific Power in the amount of \$616.88 for electricity at site locations, NORPAC in the amount of \$2834.04 for annual generator battery test and maintenance at Hamaker and Hogback and Legal Advisors

LLC. in the amount of \$171 for review of Klamath Tribes MOU/IGA discussion and application for participation.

Matt motioned to accept the claims and demands for August, Joanie seconded, motion carried unanimously.

C. Bylaws/Policy Review: None

D. Hamaker Control Site DWS: Joanie said Day Wireless provided a quote for the removal of Hamaker and the coverage map for Stukel as requested last month. Discussion followed regarding the reason for the move, cost and expiration of the current contract. James provided some explanation of the coverage maps and the additional costs that may be involved for equipment. Joanie asked Mike about the issue at Swan. Mike said he was not aware of what she was talking about, but they still need to acquire two new frequencies to move forward with adding the two new LE channels. Chris asked if there was any action the group needed to take today. Joanie said the action item needs to be on the map coverage for 911 to move forward with the use of Stukel and acquire the two new channels. Matt said the county fire communication plan is moving forward, and they need to know what the cost will be for equipment required by the update. James provided additional information of the coverage area and low cost to get the encryption available to LE. The PL tone can be changed but it would still not allow use of the repeaters. However, changing the frequencies would, but those cannot be quoted until the new frequencies are acquired. Mike agreed with James and said the PL would be the cheapest resolution, but it would not fix all the issues whereas the repeater would. Discussion followed regarding the current issues, infrastructure build out and resolutions. Chris asked if they needed to make a motion to apply for the frequencies. Joanie said that had already been done a couple meetings ago. Chris asked who would be the one to apply for the frequency licenses. Joanie said Day Wireless or possibly 911. Mike said Day Wireless can do it for them, but it would be a few weeks out.

Joanie said the fencing is fixed at Hamaker and roof repairs are taking place today and tomorrow. Chris asked if the ground cleanup was done. Joanie said Mike was going to arrange getting that done and she does not believe it is complete.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Application for KIRG Participation: Chris reviewed the application and what he calls the buy-in to participate. He explained the background of KIRG and his prior discussion with Mike regarding having a fair formula that works now and in the future. Jessica reviewed prior communication with the Tribes and vetted documentation by the board's attorney. Chris read the enrollment fee formula explaining how it was created. Jessica explained the breakdown in Appendix A. James asked how they came up with the service area. Joanie said Rachelle provided their service area and that information was used for a comparison of agencies. Discussion followed regarding the application and user fee structure.

Rachelle said the application has not been presented to the Tribes council because she was waiting for the group's approval. It has been shared with the Tribes treasurer and secretary and they have no issues with the fees. Once the group approves the application and fee structure it will be presented to tribal council.

Rob motioned to accept the Resolution for Application, Response Letter and Appendix A as presented and recommended by the attorney, Matt seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Chris said this establishes the application and process to add a new user to the group.

Open Discussion: None

Good of the Order: None

IV. ADJOURNMENT: Matt motioned to adjourn, Joanie seconded, meeting adjourned at 10:48am.

Next Meeting Date: September 12, 2024 @ 10:00am