## MOBILE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Minutes of February 8, 2018

Commissioners Attending:

Stephen Bowden

Roy Hodge

Jeff Reeves

Glenn Hodge

**Bob Adams** 

Staff Attending:

Charlie McNichol, Director

Jeff Hartley, Attorney

Hayley Clough, Administrative Assistant

The REGULAR board meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held February 8, 2018, at the Mobile County Communications Center.

<u>Call to Order</u> – Chairman Bowden called the meeting to order at 8:06 A.M.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> – Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 11, 2018 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Reeves, all approved.

<u>Treasurer Report</u> – Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the January Claims list, seconded by Commissioner Roy Hodge, all approved. Commissioner Adams made a motion to authorize the transfer of \$533,748 from the Operating Account to the Debt Service Account for the month of February, seconded by Commissioner Reeves, all approved.

<u>Personnel</u> – No Report

Planning - No Report

<u>Communications</u> – Robert Jackson reported to the board that the radio system project is looking to be cutover within the next week. Everyone will be cutover except for the very small entities. He reports that around the first of March, the system should be completely cutover. Commissioner Roy Hodge stated that the difference between the P-25 system and the EDAX is incredible.

Commissioner Reeves reported he has been looking into updating the software that the volunteer fire departments use. Currently the departments use Active 9-1-1 but he has looked at a more updated system called Street Wise. Active 9-1-1 sends out the calls through a smart phone and gives the basic information like a text. Street Wise gives out more information as in pre-fire plans, fire hydrant locations, and other detailed information. Commissioner Reeves has also looked at Emergency Reports, a reporting software, that is integrated with Street Wise. Director McNichol reports that the software looks good and will be a way to unify everyone from the first notification of emergency to reporting. Some agencies do not have reporting this will give them the resources they need. Chief Paul from Seven Hills reports that getting the Street Wise software will get everyone up to date and make jobs more efficient. The software can either be download onto a smart phone or put on a tablet for each vehicle.

**Emergency Medical** – Chairman Bowden reported to the board that Robert Jackson has volunteered to help upgrade communications between the pre-hospital providers and the emergency departments.

<u>Building/Configuration</u> – Commissioner Adams reported to the board that the architects and Director McNichol are finalizing everything before putting multi-purpose building out for bid.

## **Board Attorney** - No Report

<u>Director</u> – Director McNichol presented to the board a Tax Sheltering Plan for RSA contributions. There are very few agencies left in the state that are not on the Tax Sheltering Plan. The Tax Sheltering Plan allows the employees retirement contributions not to be taxed. Currently, retirement contributions come out of their gross pay, with the Tax Sheltering Plan it will come out before tax. This plan will benefit the employees and should have been adopted before. Chairman Bowden asked why it wasn't that way before to which Director McNichol responded because MCCD in the past never adopted this resolution. Commissioner Adams complimented Director McNichol and Ashley Carlisle for finding this for the employees. Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the Tax Sheltering Plan, seconded by Commissioner Glenn Hodge, all approved.

Director McNichol introduced Brooke Rowell to the board, she is currently in training to be a 9-1-1 operator.

Director McNichol reminded the board that the anniversary of the first 9-1-1 call is on February 16th.

Old Business - No Report

New Business - No Report

Announcement - Next board meeting to be held March 8, 2018

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 8:24 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Stephen Bowden, Chairman

Clough, Recording Secretar