

MOBILE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Minutes of September 12, 2019

Commissioners Attending:

Roy Hodge
Jeff Reeves

Cynthia Coleman

Glenn Hodge

Staff Attending:

Charlie McNichol, Director
Hayley Clough, Recording Secretary

Jeffery Hartley, Attorney

The REGULAR board meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held September 12, 2019 at the Mobile County Communications Center.

Call to Order – Commissioner R. Hodge called the meeting to order at 8:07 A.M.

Approval of Minutes – Commissioner Coleman made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 8, 2019 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Reeves, all approved.

Treasurer Report – Commissioner Reeves made a motion to authorize the transfer of \$533,748 from the Operating Account to the Debt Service Account for the month of September, seconded by Commissioner G. Hodge, all approved.

Personnel – No Report

Planning – There is some planning coming up in the next 8-12 months regarding SIM cards for agencies in the County. Testing is currently being done on the SIM cards to ensure they have a strong signal across all parts of the County. Director McNichol stated that the product looks good, but we haven't received pricing yet. Currently, each agency is responsible for obtaining their own internet connection in the laptops and MDT in emergency vehicles, MCCD will be taking over this cost but want to ensure it works for everyone. Commissioner Reeves stated this will be a huge help to the smaller volunteer departments.

Communications – Commissioner Reeves stated that Streetwise has been activated and is running parallel with Active 9-1-1. Streetwise will be very beneficial to the volunteer departments and training will begin next week.

Emergency Medical – No Report

Building/Configuration – The multi-purpose building is moving along and should be finished in November.

Board Attorney – Mr. Hartley gave an update on the Newman's litigation. There is a status hearing tomorrow. It is starting to heat back up because of the payment is due soon to MCEMS from the County. The case is more towards MCEMS vs Newman's but MCCD is still a defendant and we are just waiting it out.

Director – Director McNichol recommended adoption of the FY 2019-2020 budget, it's standard with a few capital projects. A new UPS system, a vehicle for the Radio Technician, and a COLA are all included in the budget this year. Commissioner Reeves made a motion to approve the FY 2019-2020 budget, seconded by Commissioner G. Hodge, all approved.

Director McNichol asked the board to consider the 2019-2020 holiday schedule. Historically, MCCD has followed the County Commission. Commissioner Reeves made a motion to approve the holiday schedule, seconded by Commissioner G. Hodge, all approved.

Director McNichol presented to the board an engagement letter from Russell, Thompson, Butler, & Houston. Commissioner Reeves made a motion to authorize Director McNichol to sign the engagement letter, seconded by Commissioner G. Hodge, all approved.

Director McNichol presented to the board a payment to Reed-Hays Construction, LLC for work on the multi-purpose building. Any amount over \$50,000 must be presented to the board. Commissioner G. Hodge made a motion to approve the payment, seconded by Commissioner Reeves, all approved

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Director McNichol opened discussion on MCCD purchasing property on Zeigler Blvd. The property is owned by the City of Mobile, but they would like to sell. The property is 4.4 acres on the other side of NOAA. The property will be used for future growth and assets, especially now that we own the radio system. Director McNichol asked the board to authorize him to negotiate a contract for the property and will hopefully come back to the board in October with an agreement. Commissioner Reeves asked if we were discussing building a building with EMA on their property to which Director McNichol responded yes but this property is close, and it would be our own and have it for future needs.

Old Business – No Report

New Business – Commissioner Reeves stated he would like to look at a performance-based merit increase for Director McNichol. He will get with Ashley Carlisle to look over past Director salaries and come back to the board.

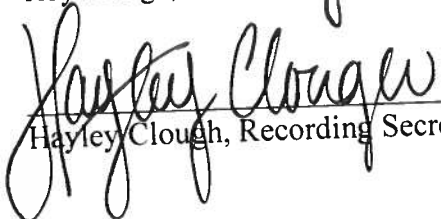
Announcement – Next board meeting to be held October 10, 2019.

Adjournment – Commissioner Reeves made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner G. Hodge, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted:



Roy Hodge, Vice Chairman



Hayley Clough, Recording Secretary