

Tama County Communications

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The Tama County 911 Service Board meeting was called to order to order at 6:30 PM on January 14, 2025, by 911 Chair Van Egmond (Dysart).

Members present: Linda Pearson (Clutier), Billie Van Egmond (Dysart), Brian Staker (Montour), Sheriff Schmidt, Jason Bina (Tama), Tyler Sell (Traer), Daryl Bazal (Vining), Mary Wankowicz (Emergency Management), Joe Boll (Toledo), Kendall Jordan (Toledo Alt.) Bob Vokoun (LeGrand), Lee Simcox (Meskwaki Nation), Mark Fink (Gladbrook), David Turner (Supervisor), Bob Vokoun (LeGrand).

Others in attendance: Ryan Goodenbour (EMA Coordinator), Allen Kelley, and Carri Holst.

Motion by Boll to approve the agenda and second by Vokoun to approve the agenda. Motion Carried

Motion by Sell, second by Bina to approve Joint EMA/911 meeting minutes from August 2024, all aye, motion carried.

Motion by Staker, second by Simcox to approve Claims. All ayes, motion carried.

Before the meeting started, Chair Van Egmond wanted to publicly thank Sheriff Schmidt, Chief Deputy Joe Quandt, and Emergency Management Director Ryan Goodenbour for helping during the time of need.

Old Business:

Ryan gave an update on the EOC/Communication Center. Carl A Nelson gave an overall block plan of the potential site and the interior of the building. Ryan gave a breakdown of what the building will look like with an explanation along the way.

New Business:

Chair Van Egmond briefed the board on the proposed budget for FY 26. A motion was made by Deam. Seconded by Bina. A roll call was made. Van Egmond aye, Deam, aye, Simcox aye, Staker aye, Sheriff Schmidt aye, Bina aye, Boll aye, Sell aye, Bazal aye, Wankowicz aye, Turner no vote.

Van Egmond stated that public budget hearing will be held February 11th

Ryan updated the commission regarding the new EOC/Communication Center funding will not be given to E911 or EMA since there is no dollar amount associated with the new building.

Bina made a motion to appoint Sheriff Casey Schmidt to the 911 Executive Committee. Seconded by Simcox.

Ryan discussed a paging issue with Gladbrook-Lincoln Ambulance Service and Grundy Center Ambulance. When dispatch is requesting Grundy Center to be paged and Grundy County states they are unavailable. There is no set procedure on who needs to be paged. There are discussions being made between the surrounding services.

The next regular 911 Board meeting will be held Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 6:30 PM. Motion for adjournment by Staker, second by Bina. The meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Ryan Goodenbour, Emergency Management Director