

KENOSHA JOINT SERVICES BOARD

July 23, 2019

The Kenosha Joint Services Board meeting was **Called to Order** at 4:30 p.m. by Chairman Jeffrey Gentz in the Joint Services Administration Conference Room located in the Kenosha County Public Safety Building.

The **Members in Attendance** were Chairman Jeffrey Gentz, Mayor John Antaramian, Chief of Police Daniel Miskinis, County Chief of Staff Jennie Tunkieicz, County Supervisor Monica Yuhas, Board Member Mark Modory and Youth in Governance members Gabrielle Wellman and Tyler Andrews.

City Alderman Rocco LaMacchia Sr. was excused.

Under **Citizen Comments**, there were none.

Under **Approval of Minutes of Open Session Held on May 28, 2019**, Chief Miskinis made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Yuhas seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Under **Director's Report**, Director Genthner reported that they are working on the LiveScan replacement project. LiveScan is located in the jail and in the Evidence/Identification department; it is used to book inmates when they are entering the jail. After the 2019 budget was complete, the agency received an end of life notice in October of 2018. They have since negotiated an extension until December of 2019 and are in the process of determining a vendor.

Director Genthner reported that Country Thunder had come to a close and that they staffed the event 24/7 with Communications Department employees.

Director Genthner reported that there were two articles in the Kenosha News regarding the newly implemented Text-To-911 along with an interview from WTMJ.

Director Genthner reported that they recently had two dispatchers resign and have implemented a new recruitment tool.

A brief discussion ensued.

The Board accepted the information as presented.

Under **Kenosha Joint Services' Financial Statement**, Judy Bruni of Feld, Schumacher and Company presented the 2018 financial review to the Board; they did not find any material modifications needed.

Mr. Modory made a motion to receive and file the Kenosha Joint Services 2018 Financial Review. Ms. Tunkieicz seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Under **Kenosha Joint Services' Health Insurance Discussion**, Director Genthner reported that the consultant from the Horton Group was unable to attend the meeting and has submitted a Pre-Renewal Meeting Report letter. Director Genthner summarized the report for the Board.

The Board accepted the information as presented.

Under **Firing Range**, Director Genthner reported that the project is complete and that Kenosha County is working on finalizing the total final project cost.

The Board accepted the information as presented.

Under **Radio Console System**, Director Genthner reported that they are coordinating the project with the Kenosha County simulcast project. Once Kenosha County's simulcast project is complete, they will be able to proceed and lock in more detailed technical parameters needed to go out to market.

Under **Backup Center**, Director Genthner reported that on May 22, 2019, they staffed the Backup Center and worked an entire shift. Communications Manager, Mike Blodgett, reported that they staffed the Backup Center and also had employees staffed in the Communication Center as backup. The first thing that they noticed out at the Backup Center was a quality difference in radio transmissions. He is inclined to believe it is the radio console causing the issue and that it will be replaced during the console replacement project. Another issue discovered was the radios inability to keep up with heavy radio traffic when needed; it was a short lived problem.

The Board accepted the information as presented.

Under **Request to Approve Amended Policy**, Director Genthner reported that they have updated the ethics policy for Kenosha Joint Services to be more in line with the City of Kenosha and County of Kenosha's ethics policies.

Chief Miskinis made a motion to approve and Ms. Yuhas seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Under **Board Member Comments**, Ms. Yuhas reported that she recently spent 9:00 pm to 1:30 am in the Communications Department on July 5, 2019, and that she left in awe of what the employees do and how they perform and work together.

At 5:03 p.m., Mr. Modory made a motion for **Adjournment** and Ms. Yuhas seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.