PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS
LOCATION: Portland
MONDAY, May 6, 2019
11:00 A.M.

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Attendance:

Members Present

Chairman Ross Andrew
Commissioner Susan Bransfield (PFD)
Commissioner Carl Chisem (MFD)
Commissioner Dave Darling (SFD)

Members Absent

Staff Present

Wayne Bartolotta – Director of Central Communications
Robert Grauer – Deputy Director of Central Communications
Chief Robert Kronenberger – Middletown Fire
Deputy Fire Chief Al Leary – Middletown Fire
Chief Mike Howley – South Fire District
Lt. Desena – Middletown Police Department
Erik Larson – Hunters Ambulance
Sgt. Cunningham – Portland Police Department
Lori Ruffino – Recording Secretary

Public Present

None

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Andrew called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Chairman Andrew asked for approval of the minutes from the last meeting held on April 1. Commissioner Darling so moved, Commissioner Bransfield seconded, and all voted in favor

PUBLIC HEARING

- None
CORRESPONDENCE

- None

MONTHLY REPORT

- Director Bartolotta gave the monthly report:
  - Call statistics sheet was handed out:
    - Monthly activity for April was normal
      - 4,650 incidents, 1,850 9-1-1 calls, and 7,900 administrative calls
      - Additional activity police wise with the campaign for Don’t text & drive
    - EMD score 95.05%
  - Radio project update:
    - Completed all installations for fire & emergency management except the marine units
    - Starting deployment of portable radios in the fire department – came up with a couple of issues but made adjustments, should have 15 online by the end of the day
      - All should be deployed for the fire department by the end of May and will operate on the current system
    - Police vehicles about 80-85% complete, will work on programming this week – should be done by mid-late June
    - After mobile installations complete will start on Public Works – 80 vehicles, and then move on to Water & Sewer, 45 vehicles
    - Preston Avenue site for infrastructure is up & running
    - Construction on the Eversource site is underway – hope to have up by the end of June
  - Staffing:
    - Currently at 19 – full at 21
      - Candidate had a serious personal issue & had to be put on hold
      - Currently getting background check on next candidate
  - Budget process well under way – no budget problems foreseen
  - Senior Fair to be held tomorrow at the Senior Center – Director Bartolotta invited all to check it out
  - Commissioner Branstfield asked if we were on budget for the new project, Director Bartolotta stated they it is on budget but behind schedule
    - The negotiations for the cell phone towers and the discussions with Pratt & Whitney put the project about a year behind schedule
    - Should be complete by Labor Day
    - The hospital is in good shape, minor issue in the basement to be addressed
    - The high school problems will be squared away – full coverage
    - The new middle school will have the system installed
    - Talk will be had with CVH to make a plan
OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Commissioner Bransfield asked about summer meetings, she made a motion to meet in June, skip July & August, and resume in September. Commissioner Darling seconded and all voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Andrew called for adjournment, Commissioner Darling so moved, Commissioner Chisem seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Submitted,
Lori Ruffino
Recording Secretary

Next meeting to be held on June 3, 2019 in Middletown