

CMRSB Minutes
April 21, 2021

PRESENT:

MELISSA BRYANT
THOMAS GANDY
JENNIFER KNIGHT
PAUL MOSLEY
MARK RIGNEY
PATSY BOYD

SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT
INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE
CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT
MS ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS
INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE
AT LARGE

NOT PRESENT:

TANYA FELDER
LEE MCDIVITT

TATE COUNTY, E-911 DIRECTOR
LAW ENFORCEMENT

VISITORS:

PETE CAJOLEAS
JOEL BOBO
STEFANIE GRANT

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
HORNE LLP
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The meeting was called to order by Melissa Bryant at 10:02 A.M. All quorum members were present via Zoom teleconference.

Board reviewed minutes of the March 24, 2021 meeting. A motion to accept the March 2021 minutes was made by Jennifer Knight and seconded by Paul Mosley. The motion passed unanimously.

Joel Bobo presented Horne's financial reports for the month of March 2021. Joel Bobo stated \$5,000,000 was moved to PriorityOne Bank, as approved by the Board, and the two investments will be combined into one line item for PriorityOne Bank. A total of \$403,167.51 in invoices and expenses were emailed and approved for payment. A motion to accept reports and pay March 2021 invoices, within limits, and expenses, was made by Paul Mosley seconded by Jennifer Knight. The motion passed unanimously.

Attorney General's Office Report – Pete Cajoleas attended in place of Edward Wiggins. Melissa Bryant asked about upcoming legislation and how it will affect the Board going forward. There was a bill approved in 2020. She will email Pete Cajoleas and Edward Wiggins for further information to be discussed at the May Board Meeting.

Technical Committee – Thomas Gandy, no report.

Floor Items –Stefanie Grant emailed Edward Wiggins concerning status of any outstanding invoices due the Attorney General's office and he is in the process of researching and will discuss with his supervisor. Pete Cajoleas will follow-up with Edward Wiggins concerning the status of any outstanding invoice and will give an update at the May Board Meeting. Pete Cajoleas also stated the Attorney General's office is not currently billing for any services so there is a possibility there are no outstanding invoices due. Joel Bobo stated there are 4 outstanding checks due to AT&T. Thomas Gandy suggested HORNE email Carla Brown at AT&T as they are currently not working in the office (due to COVID). Thomas Gandy spoke with their tax attorney to obtain further direction as to when checks would be cashed for prior year accounts payable. AT&T staff will return to the office on or around July 2021.

Joel Bobo spoke with Robert Herrington, President of the Ohio 911 Association (April 19, 2021) to discuss the process and pros/cons of auditing cell phone companies. Mr. Herrington has spoken with 39 states and decided

it would not be beneficial to request audits from each carrier. The Board has the right to audit carriers as the Agreed Upon Procedures are listed on the website. Joel Bobo asked Robert Herrington to forward a summary of findings after the research is complete. Melissa Bryant requested Joel Bobo draft an email, to the Board, summarizing what internal procedures are required. Joel Bobo also stated he reviewed the audit testing procedures, listed on the website, and the procedures are adequate. HORNE will review status of annual audits received, by carrier, and give an update at the May Board Meeting. HORNE will also perform an analysis on monthly collections and calculate an average by carrier to be discussed at the May Board Meeting. Joel Bobo also discussed asking the Attorney General's office to assist with drafting a letter to carriers requesting an annual audit. Haddox Reid is still in the process of performing an audit of fiscal years 2018 and 2019 and is scheduled to be on-site at HORNE LLP on April 27, 2021 to obtain additional information. Melissa Bryant asked once the audits are finalized, they are added to the website.

Melissa Bryant stated there are some links on the website under the Rules/Laws section that are not active. Stefanie Grant will discuss Laura Katherine Tannehill to review and resolve that issue.

The next board meeting will be on May 19, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. via Zoom at the HORNE LLP office, 661 Sunnybrook Road, Suite 100, Ridgeland, MS 39157.

Being no further business, at 10:32 A.M., a motion to adjourn was made by Paul Mosley and seconded by Mark Rigney. The motion passed unanimously.