

CMRSB Minutes
August 18, 2021

PRESENT:

MELISSA BRYANT
THOMAS GANDY
JENNIFER KNIGHT
LEE MCDIVITT
PATSY BOYD

SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT
INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE
CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT
LAW ENFORCEMENT
AT LARGE

NOT PRESENT:

TANYA FELDER
PAUL MOSLEY
MARK RIGNEY

TATE COUNTY, E-911 DIRECTOR
MS ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS
INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE

VISITORS:

EDWARD WIGGINS
JOEL BOBO
DONALD CRABTREE
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 at HORNE, LLP and via Zoom teleconference.

Board reviewed minutes of the July 21, 2021 meeting. A motion to accept the July 2021 minutes was made by Thomas Gandy and seconded by Lee McDivitt. The motion passed unanimously.

Donald Crabtree presented Horne's financial reports for the month of July 2021. A total of \$6,500 for the HORNE invoice and expense was emailed and approved for payment. A motion to accept reports and pay July 2021 invoices, within limits, and expenses, was made by Thomas Gandy seconded by Jennifer Knight. The motion passed unanimously. The annual analysis of payment by counties will be added to the website.

Attorney General's Office Report – Edward Wiggins spoke with his supervisor and the Memorandum of Understanding will be sent via email today, August 18, 2021 to Stefanie Grant. Stefanie Grant will forward to Melissa Bryant for signature. The Governor extended the State of Emergency through September 15, 2021 and it may possibly be extended beyond that date. There is currently no state-wide mask mandate.

Technical Committee – Thomas Gandy received the email from Stefanie Grant concerning identification of wireless carriers and he is in the process of obtaining assistance from the National Roaming Team to identify smaller wireless carriers owned by larger wireless carriers.

Floor Items – Joel Bobo stated HORNE LLP is working to obtain information on smaller wireless carriers that are possibly owned by larger wireless carriers to request annual audit information. Joel Bobo stated the Bankplus sweep account was converted to a high yield account in August 2021. Haddox Reid will email a copy of the 2018 & 2019 audits and HORNE will post to the website. Melissa Bryant discussed status of Board members and their term dates. Mr. Wiggins suggested the Board reach out to various Associations for candidates because they must be approved by the Governor. Joel Bobo suggested the Board rehire Haddox Reid to perform the 6/30/21 audit of the CMRS Board. A motion to rehire Haddox Reid to perform the 6/30/21 audit of the CMRS Board, pending a quote of the cost of the audit to HORNE LLP, was made by Thomas Gandy seconded by Lee McDivitt. The motion passed unanimously. A motion to continue the relationship with HORNE LLP for the same price structure, as the previous year, for fiscal year ending 6/30/22 was made by Patsy Boyd seconded by Jennifer Knight. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wiggins stated once the Board reviews the Memorandum of Understanding, they will need to discuss continuing the relationship with the Attorney General's office.

The next board meeting will be on September 15, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at the office of HORNE LLP, 661 Sunnybrook Road, Suite 100, Ridgeland, MS 39157. The in-person meeting will be at the discretion of each Board member but the option to meet via Zoom will also be available.

Being no further business, at 10:37 A.M., a motion to adjourn was made by Thomas Gandy and seconded by Lee McDivitt. The motion passed unanimously.