

CMRSB Minutes
September 20, 2023

PRESENT:

MELISSA BRYANT, PRESIDENT
THOMAS GANDY, VICE PRESIDENT
JENNIFER KNIGHT
PATSY BOYD
MARK RIGNEY
TREBIA RODGERS

SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT
INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE
CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT
AT LARGE
INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE
GRENADA COUNTY, E-911 DIRECTOR

NOT PRESENT:

LEE MCDIVITT
PAUL MOSLEY

LAW ENFORCEMENT
MS ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS

VISITORS:

DUDLEY D. WOOLEY
KIANA FOSTER
JOEL BOBO
EMILY CARPENTER
STEFANIE GRANT

ROSS & YERGER
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
HORNE, LLP
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The meeting was called to order by Melissa Bryant at 10:04 A.M. All quorum members were present at HORNE, LLP and via Zoom teleconference.

Dudley Wooley with Ross & Yerger presented a proposal for Directors and Officers Liability Coverage for Board members (past, present & future). The proposal includes a \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 limit and the policy is claims made and the Board will be protected since inception of the policy.

The board reviewed the minutes of the July 31, 2023, meeting. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Jennifer Knight & seconded by Trebia Rodgers. The motion passed unanimously.

Joel Bobo presented HORNE's financial reports for the month of July 2023. A total of \$381,225.11 of invoices and expenses was emailed and approved for payment. A motion to accept reports and pay July 2023 invoices, within limits, and expenses, was made by Thomas Gandy seconded by Jennifer Knight. The motion passed unanimously.

Joel Bobo presented HORNE's financial reports for the month of August 2023. A total of \$398,291.46 of invoices and expenses was emailed and approved for payment. Travel expenses were submitted by Melissa Bryant in the amount of \$1,322.59 and Trebia Rodgers in the amount of \$3,718.46. A motion to accept reports and pay August 2023 invoices, within limits, and expenses, was made by Patsy Boyd seconded by Melissa Bryant. The motion passed unanimously.

Attorney General's Office Report – Melissa Bryant stated an email was sent regarding training sessions in October (10/24 & 10/25) and there will be a make-up date scheduled soon.

Technical Committee – Thomas Gandy stated there are only 2 Cost Recovery Plans, Cspire & Southern Linc and asked HORNE to locate copies of the plans.

Thomas Gandy reached out to AT&T chief counsel in California concerning status of request to assist with billing for TCU (Telematic Control Unit) services provided by American Honda.

Floor Items

Stefanie Grant stated Haddox Reid is still in the process of working on the 6.30.21 & 6.30.22 audits. Jennifer Knight stated the Board should research other firms to perform the 6.30.23 audit. Joel Bobo will contact area CPA firms to discuss performing the 6.30.23 audit. Joel Bobo will contact Todd Rhodus at Haddox Reid concerning the status of completion of the 6.30.21 & 6.30.22 audits.

Melissa Bryant will speak at the Mississippi 911 Conference scheduled for Tuesday, October 24, 2023, to give an overview of the Commercial Mobile Radio Service Board. Jennifer Knight, Trebia Rodgers and Joel Bobo (HORNE) will attend the meeting.

Kiana Foster with the Attorney General's Office stated Edward Wiggins is no longer with the MS Attorney General's Office, and she has been assigned to the CMRS Board. She will also notify the Board of make-up dates for the October training sessions and review the proposal from Ross & Yerger for the Directors and Officers Liability policy.

The next board meeting will be on Thursday, October 19, 2023, 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 11:10A.M., the meeting was adjourned.