

Members present: Chief Andre Sayles, Beloit Police Department; Chief Ryan Murphy, Janesville Fire Department; Chief Chad Pearson, Janesville Police Department; Sheriff Curt Fell, Rock County Sheriff's Office; Deputy Chief Michael Chesmore, Milton Police Department; Chief Michael Schultz, Clinton Police Department; Chief Carolyn Kleisch, Evansville EMS; Chief Rich Woodstock, Footville FD.

Members Not Present: Chief Dan Pease, Beloit Fire Department

Others present: Fredd Carr, Shelley Schmidt, and Faith Quinlan, Rock County Communications Center; James Johnson, Bryan Spigarelli, Derek Sauter, and Dara Mosley, Rock County IT; Deputy Chief Jeramie Mielke, Town of Beloit Fire Department.

1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

- A. Chief Sayles called the meeting of the 911 Communications Commission to order at 2:06 p.m. Motion to approve the agenda by Fell. Second by Pearson.
APPROVED.

2. Minutes – October 23rd, 2024 – Motion by Pearson. Second by Fell. October 23rd, 2024, minutes approved as written.

3. Comments from the Public – None

4. 9-1-1 Commission Chair – Nominations/Appointment – Chief Sayles nominated Sheriff Fell. All were in favor, and Fell was appointed Chair of the 9-1-1 Commission from January 2025 to January 2027.

5. New Commission Members

- A. Clinton PD – Chief Michael Schultz
- B. Milton PD – Deputy Chief Chesmore sat in for Chief Sachse, and announced he may retire in January 2026.

6. Information Technology – Derek Sauter introduced himself as the new Public Safety Systems Supervisor.

- A. Spillman - Derek reported ongoing issues with Spillman that Motorola is addressing. A recent interface change was implemented to improve stability. The system now pushes call data from CAD to Spillman; however, officers must use incident numbers if they are not immediately assigned. The Spillman update has been delayed to May 28th due to these issues.
- B. Phone Outage - During the phone outage, calls were automatically transferred to Dane County; however, communication gaps made it difficult to relay information to the chiefs. The team is working with Kevin from Emergency Management to create a RAVE notification group for faster communication at the chief level. Backup phones were activated, and more will be added to the primary site. All phone lines rely on AT&T fiber, so any damage to the fiber affects the entire system. AT&T is investigating why redundancy failed. The TIME system was also transferred to Janesville PD during the outage, placing a burden on their records staff. Quick notification protocols will be established to bring in additional staff when needed.

7. **Policy Updates**

- A. A-1 Amber Alert – Carr discussed the Center’s new staff committees and our process for updating policies and procedures. He mentioned the most notable changes to the Amber Alert policy, which the commission approved with no questions.

8. **Informational Items & Updates**

- A. Station Alerting – Station alerting was fully implemented in January; however, Footville’s paging system still needs to be completed.
- B. CALEA – Our third-year assessment is scheduled for June.

- 9. **Adjournment**—Pearson moved to adjourn the 911 Communications Commission Meeting at 2:33 p.m., seconded by Fell. APPROVED.

Minutes are not official until approved by the 911 Communications Commission

Next Meeting – July 16, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. (Subject to Change).

Respectfully Submitted,



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