

**ALABAMA 9-1-1 BOARD MEETING**  
**AUM Center for Advanced Technologies**  
**400 South Union Street, Suite 125**  
**Montgomery, Alabama 36104**

**Minutes of October 19, 2012 Meeting**

Prior notice of this regularly scheduled meeting of the Alabama 9-1-1 Board was given in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

The roll was called by Roger Wilson, Chairman

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Chairman Roger Wilson who acted as presiding officer of the meeting.

Upon motion and seconded by Chris Heger, the Agenda which was previously published on the Board's website was unanimously adopted.

Upon motion by Mr. Wilson and seconded, the Minutes of the September 14, 2012 meeting of the Board were unanimously approved.

The first order of business was travel requests. Bill Brodeur reported having one travel request he has not completed it as of this time and one for Johnny Hart for overnight stay lodging and roundtrip mileage for \$276.26. Attorney Fees for the month were \$3892.00. Approval for sending the travel in for payment was opened for discussion. There was discussion regarding the attorney's bill for the charges for researching and reviewing. The question was asked if the board would be receiving end product reports today or continue to receive the researching and reviewing charges. Attorney James Sasser stated with the board being new they have to start from scratch. Policies and procedures will be reviewed today by the Rules and Regulations Committee. Initial Rules have been received from Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, & Florida. Mr. Sasser informed Donnie that it takes a great deal of time to create new rules and regulations for a new board; this will have to be done in phases.

The next order of business was in regards to Administrative Rules. Kevin Grimes has agreed to be the Chairman of the Administrative Rules Committee. Jerry Renfroe will be the chairman of the level rate. Chairman for the State Planning committee will be announced at the next meeting. Mr. Sasser stated the Policies and Procedures have been prepared for the committee to review today. He requested help from the committee regarding definitions and some technical issues. He suggested the Board adopt a regulation regarding Lifeline. Hardline Statutory Scheme is already in place however, there is nothing in our legislation that addresses Lifeline. On the wireless side, we have always taken the position that Lifeline is covered. Mr. Sasser states they are in the process of requesting documentation from Auburn regarding these issues this past spring. Everyone responded with the exception of three carriers. Mr. Sasser recommended the Board adopts these Polices and Procedures Rules in the next board meeting.

The question was asked how long would it take for the Board to vote on the publication. Mr. Sasser replied it would be around a 90-day process. There was a discussion as to whether or not to adopt an emergency rule for the AUM study.

The Board reviewed the Proposed Lines for Discussion document from Mr. Wilson.

**-Line 1 Discussion-** Any exempted lines in the law are going to be exempt

**-Line 2 Discussion-** In regards to the PRI Line, Federal Court has already ruled on this.

**-Line 3 Discussion-** All VOIP operating systems needs to discuss whether by Bandwidth or other means to help companies sell an IP connection with one phone number. Wayne stated VOIP should be handled between the carrier and the customer in the agreement there is a set number of how many simultaneous calls can be going out at the same time; therefore the charge ought to be applied to what the maximum outbound capacity is. The Board referred to the law (1198-1 page 2) which dictates 10-digit numbers must be counted.

**-Line 4 Discussion-** DSL Connection provides Magic Jack to take care of VOIP residential. Wayne stated a standalone DSL is not an active voice communication service connection, Roger agreed other than once you put the device on there it does make it an active voice connection. As a Board, Magic Jack needs to be addressed in regards to their access to 911. It was stated, for the purpose of this study we should leave DSL alone so the Board can identify and address Magic Jack and other devices separately.

**-Line 5 Discussion-** All Lifeline connections will pay regards of how the service is paid for to the provider. All were in agreement.

**-Line 6 Discussion-** All wireless connections regardless of whether post or pre- paid, pre-paid will be collected according to law at the POS unless they are exempt.

**-Line 7 Discussion-** All wireless broadband connections that are standalone service. Board member suggested line items 4&7 be combined to work out later.

**-Line 8 Discussion-** All wireless Lifeline connections will bank regardless of how service is paid to the provider.

**-Line 9 Discussion-** There will be a text only device that can access 9-1-1. Board member suggested when AUM sends request for data they should have 1 column that states how many should be charged? – how many lines are not be assessed or surcharged and why? Mr. Sasser confirmed there needs to establish an emergency rule regarding this issue.

Upon motion by Donnie Smith and seconded by Chris Heger, the Proposed Lines for Discussion were approved. Motion carried.

The next order of business was the Board website.

- AUM Montgomery- Monthly Hosting for the 1<sup>st</sup> year not too exceed \$6800.
- Ellison 9-1-1 Consulting- Monthly Hosting \$250, One-time cost of \$1250 to build the site and load additional content.
- Just In time Design- Development is \$3000, Website Hosting is \$18.95 per month with \$250 annual support fee.
- Walker Web LLC- \$3500 to build the website, \$74.95 a month to support and host the site.

Board recommended using Ellison 9-1-1 Consulting. Upon motion and seconded, the decision was made to use Ellison 9-1-1 Consulting for the Board's website.

Roger Wilson readdressed the issue regarding Mobile County with Jim. As of January 1, 2013 Mobile County needs to know the time frame that will be used with the new rate to determine the baseline. Carriers must have a 30-day notification. Upon motion and seconded, this motion was approved.

The next order of business was the discussion of office and staff. Mr. Wilson requested input from the Board members. Board member stated Florida has a good staff and suggested that the committee reviews Florida. Attorney stated Legislation may not allow the hiring of state employees. Donnie explained page 44 line 12 paragraph 5 in regards to this issue. Motion to carry over this issue by Jerry Renfroe and seconded by Chris Heger. Motion carried.

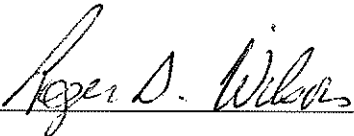
It is agreed that the next Board meeting will be on November 16, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. and December 21, 2012 at the Bailey Building on South Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:54 a.m.

Approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012

  
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CHAIRMAN