

KY 911 Services Board Meeting Minutes  
 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 8, 2021  
 Kentucky Emergency Services Conference  
 Crowne Plaza Airport  
 Louisville KY  
 and VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

**Call to order**

The September 8, 2021, meeting of the Kentucky 911 Services Board was called to order by Josiah Keats, KOHS Executive Director and 911 Services Board Chairman, at 12:40 P.M. (EST) at the Kentucky Emergency Services Conference (Louisville) and via videoconference.

**Members Present:**

Name	Title	Organization	Representing
Josiah Keats	Executive Director	KOHS	Ex Officio
Daniel Bell	Mayor	City of Taylor Mill	KLC
Kristi Jenkins	Director	Muhlenberg Co. 911	KENA/KY-APCO
Michael Johnson	Director	Tier III CMRS Provider	East KY Network
Tim Vaughan	Magistrate	Jessamine County	KACo

**Member Absent:**

Ray Perry	Secretary	PPC	Ex Officio
Harry Clark	Judge/Executive	Rowan County	KACo

**K911 Services Board/KOHS Staff:**

Mike Sunseri                      Christie Ross                      Mark Gaus  
 Jason Childers                      Watson Harding

**Guests:**

Mike Johnson	Kent Anness	Kevin Hogue	DJ Wasson
Don Kiely	Jeremy Murrell	Brandon Marshall	Kevin Woosley
Kelsey Hazelwood	Dewey Burchfield	Brian Bullock	Russ Clark
Candy Wilson	Jimmy Kitchens	Katie Hamilton	Emily Perkins
Chuck Bowen	Debra Jo Nantz	Delana Moore	Marci McNay
Jeannie Gwynne	Kim Rankin	Criss Chancellor	Jason Fuque
Corey Fields	Kayla Jones	Damien Rice	Laramie Scott
Stacen Gross	Bruce Hardesty	Scott Morgan	Matt Saunders
Ted Stumbur	Alan Lafferty	David Lucas	

**Approval of minutes**

Kristi Jenkins requested approval of the minutes from June 22, 2021, board meeting. Tim Vaughan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Director Keats introduced new member, Ray Perry, to the 911 Services Board. Mr. Perry is the newly appointed Secretary of the Public Protection Cabinet and replaces Kerry Harvey. We wish Secretary Harvey all the best in his new role, as Secretary of the Justice Cabinet, and warmly welcome Secretary Perry.

**Old Business**

1. NG911 partners project update -  
Stacen Gross, of GeoComm, updated the Board on project details. There are 36 counties onboarded to date, and requests have been sent out to another 20 counties. GeoComm has completed 3 in-person trainings and there are several more scheduled for the future. Mr. Gross encouraged attendees to his slideshow presentation and in-depth overview of the project.

Jason Fugue, RapidDeploy, also encouraged attendees to participate in one or more of their five sessions, where they will demo Eclipse analytics and RadiusPlus mapping. Mr. Fugue stressed the importance of reaching out to them should there be any questions or need of assistance.

## **New Business**

1. K911 Services Board Administrator's Report – Mr. Sunseri reported that we have completed three in-person GeoComm GIS trainings: Marshall County, Kenton County, and Lexington-Fayette County. Mr. Sunseri explained that we are taking this on the road so that everyone has the opportunity for training in their region. We will also be providing virtual trainings in the future. Mr. Sunseri added the importance of completing the statewide NG911 project surveys and questionnaires in an accurate and timely manner. This will allow our partners to set up your equipment and information correctly and as early as possible.

Mr. Sunseri updated the Board on upcoming 2022 Legislative Session. We will be pushing the same bill as proposed in 2021 that made it through the Senate and failed to be assigned to committee in the House. This bill will double the dedicated funds for the NG911 Technology Fund. If passed, the NG911 Fund would generate roughly \$1.6 million a year to continue these projects for GeoComm and RapidDeploy beyond the performance period of the federal grant, which runs out in March 2022.

Mr. Sunseri concluded with an update on PSAP Surveys. We currently have 6 PSAPs that have not submitted their required annual survey.

2. Financial Report – Ms. Ross reported this has been the best year yet for Board revenues. However, we had vendor payment issues with banking system electronic fund deposits at the end of the fiscal year. This led to a \$3.2 million dollar deposit that should have appeared on the 2021 fiscal year, but due to the banking issues, it did not make the fiscal year cut off and will appear in 2022 fiscal year fees collected.

Highlights of the FY 2021 finance reports were listed as:

Postpaid fees totaled \$22,691,373.80. Prepaid fees were \$10,106,109.36, and Board administrative expenses came in \$122,286.49 under budget, in part due to reimbursement of some consulting and contractor expenses being covered under the federal NG911 grant.

(Please see attached Finance Report)

Mr. Keats congratulated and thanked Christie Ross and the 911 Services Board staff for reducing audit expenses to the Board. Coming in \$28,000.00 under budget this year is impressive on its own, but the fact that the team took on so much of the advance work of the auditing process that we were able to reduce our ongoing AUP costs by more than \$100,000 over previous years is nothing short of amazing.

3. Magoffin County 911 and Elliott County 911 certification update. Mr. Sunseri reported that David Lucas, the Board's technical consultant, and several of the Board staff completed a site visits to both Magoffin and Elliott counties. He explained they had completed the requirements of the site visits and both PSAPs were ready to request geospatial audits to validate the accuracy of their mapping. Per the Board's previous motion, upon the successful completion of the geospatial audit, both counties will be fully certified.
4. Consolidation of Mercer County with Bluegrass 911 – The Board granted conditional approval of the consolidation of Bluegrass 911 with Casey County at our June meeting. Since that time, Mercer County 911 reached out to Bluegrass with a request to consolidate. Russ Clark, Bluegrass 911, gave a brief overview of the consolidation efforts.

A motion was made, by Kristi Jenkins, to approve conditional certification for the newly consolidated Bluegrass 911 call center, which will include Garrard, Lincoln, Casey, and Mercer counties. Board approval would allow Bluegrass 911 and Mercer County to access consolidation grant funding. And following completion of a staff site visit and geospatial audit, future Board funding from Mercer County will transfer to Bluegrass 911. A second was made by Tim Vaughan, roll call, and the motion carried unanimously.

Congratulations to Russ Clark and his team at Bluegrass 911 for forming Kentucky's first truly regional consolidated PSAP.

5. 2021 Supplemental Grants – Consideration of a supplemental 2021 911 Services Board grant has been requested by Clinton County 911. The request is for a computer workstation and monitor to assist with their GIS efforts at a cost of \$2,230.75. Staff had sent the application packet to members previously for review. Because the Board approved less than the maximum allowable funds in June, there is adequate funding available in the grant pool to meet this need with 2021 funds.

A motion was made by Kristi Jenkins to approve a grant in the amount of \$2,230.75 to Clinton County 911 for a GIS workstation and monitor. The motion was seconded by Dan Bell and motion carried unanimously.

6. 2018-2020 Grant Extensions – Mark Gaus reported that over the past several years many PSAPs have requested multiple grant extensions. While staff understands there are several issues, many out of your control, that could create a need for grants to be extended, continuing projects beyond the initial performance period places a significant burden on the grant program and Board staff. Therefore, 911 Services Board staff will not be recommending grant extensions for 2017, 2018, and 2019 grant cycles—unless there are reasonable extenuating circumstances.

### **Adjournment**

Kristi Jenkins motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:37 PM (EST). Dan Bell seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The next scheduled meeting of the Kentucky 911 Services Board will be held Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 2:00 PM (EST).