



IMPERIAL VALLEY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY (I.V.E.C.A.)

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Monthly meetings are held on the 4th Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

IVECA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Economic Development Department
1249 W. Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

All supporting documentation is available for public review in the Imperial Valley Emergency Communications Authority "IVECA" office located at 2514 La Brucherie Road, Imperial, CA 92529 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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MINUTES

February 27, 2020 1:30 p.m.

Members Present: Alfredo Estrada, Jr., Abraham Campos, Nick Wells, Alex Silva, Rosanna Bayon-Moore, Brian Johnson, Janette Angulo, and Diego Favila.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Verify the quorum of Board Members: Confirm quorum at 1:30 p.m.
2. Verification of posting of Agenda: The agenda was posted on February 20, 2020.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS: *This is a public meeting. The IVECA Board welcomes your input and you may address the Board on items that are within the jurisdiction of IVECA but are not on the agenda. Members of the public may comment on items that are on the agenda when that item is being addressed by the Board. Please state your name and address for the record. Speaking time is limited to three (3) minutes. The Board is prohibited from discussing or taking any action on any item not appearing on the agenda.*

III. CONSENT AGENDA: *Consent agenda items are approved by one motion. IVECA Board or member of the public may pull consent items to be considered at a time determined by the President.*

- Approval of IVECA's Minutes: Regular Meeting
- Approval of IVECA's Financial Reports

Recommendation: Approval of the Consent Agenda and Financial Reports.

Final Action:

A motion was made by Rosanna Bayon-Moore, and seconded by Janette Angulo to approve the Consent Agenda and Financial Reports. Motion was approved unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion/Action: The Board will consider the appointment of Ms. Marcela Piedra, City Manager, City of El Centro, as a member representing the City/County Managers Association. Ms. Piedra replaces Ms. Bayon-Moore, City Manager, City of Brawley.

Recommendation: Approve the appointment of Ms. Piedra to the I.V.E.C.A. Board.

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Final Action:

A motion was made by Rosanna Bayon-Moore, and seconded by Diego Favila to appoint Marcela Piedra to the I.V.E.C.A. Board. Motion was approved unanimously.

2. Discussion/Action: Request by Fire Chief Tim Soule, Rural Metro Fire Department, Yuma, Arizona, for access to the IVECA Mutual Aid Fleetmap and AMA Zone for 48 radios.

Recommendation: Approve the access request for 48 radios.

Final Action:

A motion was made by Diego Favila, and seconded by Nick wells to approve access request for 48 radios. Motion was approved unanimously.

3. Information/Discussion: Mr. Ashbrook, CPA, engaged to perform I.V.E.C.A. audit reports for fiscal years 2018, 2019, and 2020, has resigned.

Recommendation: None requested.

Final Action: None required.

Ms. Bayon-Moore asked if the final invoice charges were reasonable. Ms. Bayon-Moore and Mr. Wells inquired if we would receive the work generated. Ms. Bayon-Moore suggested that we receive legal guidance in regards to whether or not Mr. Ashbrook is obligated to provide the work generated.

4. Discussion/Action: Payment of final bill to Mr. Ashbrook, CPA.

Recommendation: Pay Mr. Ashbrook, CPA, his final billing of \$3,487.50.

Final Action: Tabled until the next meeting.

V. REPORTS

1. Other: Reports from officers and committees

VI. INFORMATION:

1. IVECA Updates

(a) Legal Counsel – Ryan Childers – NONE

(b) Emergency Communications Project Coordinator – Mark Schmidt.

1. Mr. Schmidt reminded all in attendance to submit Form 700.

2. Next field user radio class is April 1, 2020. Two sessions: 8 AM – 12 Noon and 1 PM – 5 PM. Location: Imperial County Office of Education, 1398 Sperber Road, Building B, Innovation and Training Center.

Recently received the finalized memo regarding the legacy radio equipment. Removal begins on Monday, March 2, 2020. Approved removal protocol with Hutchinson and Bloodgood. Equipment will be removed and stored in San Diego. Due to trade-in allowance, it became the property of Motorola. Ms. Angulo mentioned that the radios may have been purchased by grant funding. Mr. Schmidt mentioned that that he and Mr. Herring would look further into that prior to moving forward.

Pursuing two radio vendors. First, Harris Radios are being field tested by ICFD. Harris Radios are less expensive. Chief Favila mentioned that the Calexico Fire Department has also been testing the radios and they have no complaints. Chief Favila and Mr. Schmidt mentioned that an effort has been made to try to receive a lower price from Motorola. Second, the RCS Board has already approved Kenwood as a vendor. Mr. Schmidt emphasized that if the decision is to move forward with a different vendor, it is important that programming, training, and support be included and documented. Chief Sheppard encouraged the Board to also look into the maintenance agreement.

2. Round Table

Mr. Wells informed the Board that First Net has not responded despite multiple efforts from the City of Holtville.

Chief Favila thanked all for their contribution in the recent funeral.

Mr. Ramirez is working on a workshop for a standardized reunification method as well as SIMS/ICS based protocol. He also stated that he has noticed that across the school districts there is a different understanding as to when they can use the 800 system. Chief Sheppard mentioned that they would use it during any emergency.

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Mr. Ramirez announced that at the next Disaster Council Meeting on March 11, 2020 there will be a presentation from Verizon on push to talk.

VII. ADJOURMENT: Meeting Adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

1. The next regular meeting will be March 26, 2020.