



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

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Mark Schmidt, Imperial County/IVECA  
Emergency Communications Project Coordinator

Rodolfo Aguayo, Imperial County HR Director/PERMA

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

**MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING – VIRTUAL MEETING – JULY 22, 2021 – 1:30 P.M.**

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

**Governor’s Executive Order N-25-20 (March 17, 2020) allows the Board Members and the public to participate in the meeting via teleconference.**

**El Centro Public Works is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

Topic: IVECA Board Meeting  
Time: Jul 22, 2021 01:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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**Economic Development Department - 1249 W. Main Street, El Centro, California.**

*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, 92251, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.*

*In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this public meeting, you should contact the office of IVECA at (442) 265-6029. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable IVECA to make reasonable accommodations, modifications, or arrangements to assure accessibility to this public meeting.*

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## AGENDA

**July 22, 2021 1:35 P.M. Virtual Meeting**

**Board Members Present:** Ms. Piedra, Mr. Campos, Sheriff Loera, Chief Johnson, Chief Favila, Chief Rouhotas, Mr. Wells.

**Staff Present:** Mr. Mark Schmidt

### I. CALL TO ORDER:

1. Verify the quorum of Board Members. **Quorum Verified.**
2. Verification of posting of Agenda. **Agenda Posted July 15, 2021.**

**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 members of the public may pull consent items to be considered at a time determined by the President.*

- Approval of IVECA's Minutes: Regular Meetings.
- Approval of IVECA's Monthly Financial Reports. None due to FY ending postings.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the Consent Agenda.

**Final Action:** Motion to approve by Chief Favila, second by Chief Rouhotas. Motion was approved unanimously.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Information/Discussion:** New legal counsel selection.

**Recommendation:** None requested.

**Final Action:** None requested.

**Discussion:** Mr. Mark Schmidt addressed the board regarding the direction given at the June 24, 2021 Board meeting concerning new legal counsel. Mr. David Brooks, manager of Wireless Services Division in San Diego informed Mr. Schmidt that unfortunately their County Counsel could not represent IVECA. Regarding representation from a local attorney, Mr. Schmidt contacted Attorney Mitchell Driskill who expressed interest in becoming new legal counsel on either an interim or permanent basis. There is still confirmation pending from County Counsel regarding this matter.

Chief Rouhotas mentioned IVECA could move forward working with County Counsel. He added there is already a draft agreement with LHA for County Counsel as they already provide legal services for that entity and the agreement could be used as a sample. He also stated he would talk to Adam Crook, County Counsel, regarding being interim counsel if that is what the Board feels comfortable with.

Mr. Schmidt made himself available to coordinate a meeting between him, Chief Rouhotas, Chief Estrada, and Mr. Crook.

Mr. Campos stated he recommends having a dollar limit to create a "not-to-exceed" for a couple of months in an established proposal to cover the cost of the interim. In addition, there is a need to have somebody on a stand-by basis.

Chief Favila recommended going with the RFP process while accepting the County's offer for interim legal counsel.

Ms. Piedra agreed, and mentioned she feels comfortable having County Counsel as interim as they are already providing services for other entities such as ICTC.

Chief Rouhotas mentioned he would contact Adam Crook and talk to him about this notion.

2. **Discussion/Action:** Use of estimated census population data for IVECA Member billings.

No discussion.

**Recommendation:** Utilize the July 1, 2019 estimated census population data for IVECA Member billings.

**Final Action:** Approve Recommendation. Motion to approve by Mr. Campos and second by Mr. Wells. Motion was approved unanimously.

3. **Discussion/Action:** Appointment of one additional alternate, NextGen Board.

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Mr. Schmidt mentioned RCS-San Diego approached him for the need of one additional alternate NextGen Board Member. The Board convenes 4-times a year in San Diego.

**Recommendation:** Appoint one additional alternate board member from the IVECA Board to serve on the NextGen Board.

**Final Action:** Chief Favila volunteered to participate as an alternate NextGen Board Member. Motion to approve by Chief Rouhotas and second by Sheriff Loera. Motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Schmidt informed the IVECA Board of those now serving on the NextGen Board of Directors.

**As Regular Members:**

Chief Johnson and Chief Estrada.

**As Alternate Members:**

Chief Silva and Chief Favila.

**V. REPORTS:**

1. Other: Reports from officers and committees. None

**VI. INFORMATION:**

1. IVECA Updates.
  - a. Legal Counsel – None.
  - b. Emergency Communications Project Coordinator – Mark Schmidt.  
Fleetmap development. ATS problems, July 12, 2021, Black Mountain and Ogilby communication sites.
2. Round Table.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting Adjourned at 1:53 P.M.

The next regular meeting date is August 26, 2021.