# STATE OF VERMONT ENHANCED 9-1-1 BOARD

General Meeting #2 2 May 2017 Capitol Plaza Hotel

100 State St, Montpelier, VT Executive Boardroom (1st Floor) FINAL approved as written approval date: 7/11/17

#### 10:00 AM - Call to Order

Chair Gary Taylor brought the meeting to order. The following were in attendance:

#### **Board Members Present**

Chief Gary Taylor, Chair Jerome Pettinga Chief Steven Locke Captain Thomas Hango Steve Gold Kelly Kennedy (via conference bridge) Kate O'Connor (via conference bridge)

#### FairPoint Representatives Present

John Eon Mike Reed Lisa Leary Barry Crommett

#### Staff Members Present

Barbara Neal, Executive Director Soni Johnson, Board Clerk Jared Lamere, IT Specialist Jeremy McMullen, GIS Database Administrator

## **Others Present**

Joel McCamley, 9-1-1 Authority
Lee Krohn, Chittenden County RPC
Chief Phillip Kasten, Hartford PD
Scott Smith, Administrator/Hartford PSAP
John Quinn, Agency of Digital Services
Paco Aumand, Central VT Pub. Safety Auth.
Clay Purvis, Dept. of Public Service
Stephen Whitaker

### **Approval of Minutes**

• 1/19/2017 – Motion: Steve Gold made a motion to accept the minutes as written; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chief Locke. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **Business**

- 1. 9-1-1 Authority Presentation Technical Review & Evaluation of Vermont's NG9-1-1 System: Joel McCamley made a presentation concerning 9-1-1 Authority's technical review of the 9-1-1 system. Redacted copies of the technical review and a handout of the presentation are both available from the E9-1-1 Board office.
  - Executive Director Neal briefed Board members on ongoing communications between E9-1-1 Board staff and the 9-1-1 system provider concerning the issues detailed in the technical review; work has been in progress to plan, test, and implement agreed upon changes based on review findings.
  - Moving forward, E9-1-1 Board staff will develop a more comprehensive response to the review, working with FairPoint to gather any further information needed. E9-1-1 Board members will further review 9-1-1 Authority's report in order to provide a detailed response at a later date (possibly the summer meeting).
- 2. PSAP Reconfiguration Discussion Models & Considerations: Chair Taylor explained that reconfiguration is not currently in progress. Plans/models are being worked on due to previous/ongoing issues with PSAP reimbursements, call catchment areas, call volume disparity, and the possible formation of the Chittenden County Regional Dispatch Center. Executive Director Neal presented the Board with a handout detailing possible PSAP reconfigurations. A copy of this handout is available from the E9-1-1 Board office. Discussion:
  - o If reconfigured, will the number of call-taking positions stay the same? (Answer: Yes, though work stations may be shifted between PSAPs depending on final call volumes/call catchment areas.)
  - o Is this necessary now that the Department of Public Safety continues to host two PSAPs? (Answer: There are lots of factors to consider concerning reconfiguration; the continued involvement of the Department of Public Safety in the 9-1-1 system is only one of those factors.)
  - o Hartford PSAP has requested a third work station (currently has two).

- o Geo-diversity of PSAPs is important.
- o Dispatch coverage areas vs. 9-1-1 call catchment areas, and call transfer times (one-stage calls vs. two-stage calls).

Chair Taylor explained that no vote was expected at this meeting. Further information will be made available to Board members and a vote on reconfiguration will be taken at a subsequent meeting (if necessary).

#### New Business - none

### **Public Comments/Questions**

Chair Taylor requested that any technical questions concerning the 9-1-1 Authority Technical Review be submitted to the Board in writing.

Chief Steven Locke left the meeting at this time.

Stephen Whitaker expressed his views/concerns about: PSAP reconfiguration, the 9-1-1 Authority report, issues with 9-1-1 system RFP (concerning diversity of circuits), technical review scope of work (did not include independent analysis of RCAs for system outages), and Sovernet (cracked fiber incident).

### Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

The next quarterly board meeting is scheduled for 7/11/17 in Montpelier (location TBD).

Motion: There being no further business, Steve Gold made a motion to adjourn;  $2^{nd}$  by Captain Hango. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted:

Soni Johnson 5/8/12
Soni Johnson, Board Clerk Date