

**MINUTES
of the Meeting of the
CARSON CITY
9-1-1 SURCHARGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

March 1, 2011

1. Call to Order

Chair Anne Keast called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

Members present were Anne Keast, Karin Mracek, Tina Petersen, and Bernie Sease (by telephone), which constituted a quorum. Member absent was Dan Berger. Also present were Tina Russom (District Attorney's Office) and Maurice White (community member).

3. Approval of December 7, 2010, Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Bernie Sease, seconded by Karin Mracek, with motion carried, that the December 7 meeting minutes be approved as submitted.

4. Public Comments on Non-Agendized Items

There were no public comments.

5. Report on Funds Collected from the 911 Surcharge

A spreadsheet prepared by the Treasurer's Office reflecting the 911 surcharge fees collected since inception was distributed to the committee, showing collections of \$132,834 to date for the current fiscal year and a grand total of \$399,202 collected since April 2009. Stacey Giomi mentioned that the highlighted amount of \$3,147 shown for Virgin Mobile USA collected in September 2010 was actually for the surcharges collected by the company for the entire period of April 2009 to September 2010.

6. Update on New 911 System

Karin Mracek stated that the Board of Supervisors has approved the purchase of the new 911 system, and they were now in the process of getting the final papers signed and waiting to schedule the upgrade. Karin mentioned that she did not know how long the upgrade would take but that as she did not want this work done over the summer, it would need to be completely done before the end of May or else scheduled for completion after the middle of September. She also mentioned that training on this new system would be minimal. In regard to the old equipment, Karin said that Storey County was interested in

obtaining it, with Stacey mentioning that Storey was probably one of the last agencies still using this same equipment. And as he felt there was little to no value in this old equipment, he thought it could be declared surplus equipment by the City and donated.

7. Reports of Committee Members

Karin reported to the committee that there had been a fiber optic line cut south of Carson a few months ago, which Stacey said took Douglas County's 911 center down along with 80 percent of its phone service, as well as taking out about half the phone service in Lyon County, including all its 911 lines. This involved an emergency alert to the county residents, increased patrols by law enforcement, and increased work by emergency management. Carson had to manually dispatch calls for these counties, and even had to run a call in Lyon County as they could not get in touch with them either through Dispatch or by cell phone. Stacey said that part of the problem was that even some radio control lines were disabled in Lyon County. He then mentioned that this was one of the reasons they were building a microwave Ethernet backbone in the quad-county area, as it could be a backup to all these types of communication problems.

8. Next Meeting Date

The committee's next meeting is scheduled for June 7 at 8:30 a.m. in the meeting room of Fire Station #1.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

Recorder: Judy Dietrich