January 23, 2023 Board Meeting

Directors Present:

Iowa City: Geoff Fruin (alternate-in person) Johnson County: Brad Kunkel (virtual) North Liberty: Chris Hoffman (virtual)

Emergency Management: Dave Wilson (virtual)

Coralville: Meghann Foster (virtual)

Guest: Mike Podliska (Anderson Larkin)

- 1. **Call to Order; recognize alternates.** Meeting called to order at 8:02 A.M. by Vice Chairperson Foster. Fruin as City of Iowa City alternate.
- 2. Action to approve minutes of the December 16, 2022 Policy Board meeting. Motion by Wilson, second by Hoffman. All ayes.
- 3. **Comments from public.** None.
- 4. Executive Director's Update.
 - A. Update on Contract Negotiations and Grievance of Appendix E.
 - a. Update from attorney, yesterday evening the union notified that the contract was ratified.
 - B. A claim was submitted by EMA for our 2nd quarter levy payment in the amount of \$286,812.00 to be paid to JECSA.
 - C. Staffing update. Full staff for short time period until long-term employee retires. Short discussion of involvement of Johnson County in retirement celebration.

5. Audit Presentation.

- a. Overall conclusion is that this was a good, clean audit.
- b. Foster: Like hearing the phrase "good clean audit"
- c. Executive Director: thanks to City of Iowa City for providing accounting services.

6. Approval Resolution 2023-01 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024

- a. Public Hearing: Open
 - i. No comments from the public
 - ii. Motion to Approve **Resolution 2023-01** by Kunkel, second Hoffman. All ayes.

7. Approval Resolution 2023-02 RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL REPORT AND ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

- a. Review of Annual Report by Executive Director
- b. Question Kunkel can you provide reporting with the new system?
- c. Question Fruin reporting of false alarm versus true alarm on home systems, not asking to do it, but is it possible?
- d. Question Foster: Any reason why the 1500 hour is the peak?

- a. Executive Director: Schools are letting out, folks are getting off work, lots of people on the road. Generally, 1400-1800 is busy, but 1500 is the peak.
- e. Question Hoffman- why do you suppose the call volume has dropped?
 - a. Discussion with the group about impacts of pandemic on call volume.
- f. Question Foster: Has 988 impacted call volume?
 - a. Executive Director: No. 988 came out in July 2022, which is in JESCA's fiscal year 2023, so it will show in the next fiscal year.
- g. Discussion of Self-Initiated Calls
 - a. Comment from Kunkel: largest percentage of these call will be traffic stops because we are getting back to pre-pandemic enforcement
- h. Question Fruin: any incentive for second-language proficiency for staff
- i. Question Hoffman: Any recruiting efforts for Spanish-speaking dispatcher?
 - a. Executive Director: Yes, I'm always looking for fluency in another language during recruiting, but have not had those discussions about incentives with the union.
- j. Motion to Approve **Resolution 2023-02** by Wilson, second Fruin. All ayes.
- 8. Other Business. None.
- 9. **Consider a Motion to adjourn the meeting.** Next meeting will be held Friday, March 24, 2023 at 8:00am. Motion by Wilson, second by Fruin. All ayes.