

MEETING MINUTES

Joint Emergency Communications Services Association of Johnson County
Policy Board
Friday March 28, 2014, at 7:30 a.m.
4529 Melrose Avenue, Iowa City, Iowa
Policy Board Conference Room

DIRECTORS PRESENT:	North Liberty:	Tom Salm
	Iowa City:	Susan Mims, Tom Markus
	Johnson County:	Lonnie Pulkrabek, John Etheredge
	Coralville:	John Lundell

1. Call to order; recognize alternates.

Susan Mims called the meeting to order. She recognized the alternate as John Etheredge, Johnson County. Also attending were, Dave Wilson, EMA, Tom Jones and Nick Trenary, JECC, and Jeff Stone, Attorney for JECOSA.

2. Action to approve minutes of the January 24, 2014, Policy Board Meeting.

Lundell made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Salm.

3. Comments from the public.

No public attending.

4. Discussion Items.

John Lundell noticed the new directional signs coming in but said they were leaning. He was told they were just temporary until the ground thawed to permanently put them in the ground.

Jones led a discussion about the possibility of creating a 28E agreement between JECOSA and the Linn County Radio Governance Board as they are now both working with Harris contracts. This can help to bring the overall costs down and realize savings to hardware updates and new software and radio replacements, plus training on the new updates if the two counties are working and purchasing together. If other counties want to join in, then they will be required to take on this 28E Agreement as well. Attorney Stone said JECOSA will need to have an individual entity contract and the 28E agreement together. There would be a significant savings to JECOSA by this combination of the Harris contract. Markus though this was good work done by Jones and it will future proof our system. A budget amendment can be done any time in the new fiscal year. The Board will need to have a Resolution by the next meeting.

Jones also reported that now all of the 911 lines have been converted over to fiber optic lines. Wilson reported the bills are being worked on at the State level to have the State pay the 911 costs. The E911 carryover grant has been upped to \$100,000 instead of a \$50,000 county match. Jones is also looking at CenturyLink which has AllyLink which is their version of 911.

5. Other Business.

Jones reported NACO is sponsoring County Government Month Open House/Tours and is asking if JECSA should participate in this. Markus felt it should.

Jones announced it is Kathy Hoskins last meeting to take minutes as she is retiring. Mims commented she has done a good job and thanked her for her service and wished her well in retirement.

6. Consider a Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Wilson, second by Markus to adjourn meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 a.m.