

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
RICE COUNTY RICE & STEELE 911 CENTER JOINT POWERS BOARD  
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building  
Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 4:00 PM**

**I. Call to Order**

A. The meeting was called to order by Galen Malecha.

B. **Motion by Brad Ness, seconded by James Brady, requesting approval of the Agenda as presented.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: None, NAYS: None

C. **Motion by Dave Burbank, seconded by Brad Ness, requesting approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting-March 1, 2023**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Brad Ness, Peter van Sluis , James Brady , Dave Burbank, NAYS: None

**II. FINANCE: Cathy Piepho**

A. **Motion by Peter van Sluis , seconded by Jim Purfeerst, requesting approval of the Financial Report**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Brad Ness, Peter van Sluis, James Brady, Dave Burbank, NAYS: None

**III. ADMINISTRATION: Brian Becker**

A. Becker provided a staffing update to the Board. National Telecommunicator Week is April 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. For staffing, we are down five positions. Interviews for those positions were held on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, we made offers to three and only one accepted and is in backgrounding right now. We currently still have two in training. We will be interviewing for the Public Safety Manager position May 18<sup>th</sup>.

B. Floor Replacement will begin April 9<sup>th</sup> and will take three weeks to complete. During this time, we will be working and operating out of the Faribault EOC

C. TDS Analog Line Conversion Project will be completed April 11<sup>th</sup>

D. Faribault EOC Site Update. An initial test was performed that showed only one working station was operational and that is when I started reaching out to LOGIS, Faribault IT and Rice County IT to make sure we could have a fully operational EOC. Moving forward we will be going to the Faribault EOC once a month with a Supervisor on site to help and test the location and to verify everything is up and running and being updated. We also plan on working out of the Faribault EOC twice a year to verify it is working and operational.

E. **Motion by James Brady, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to approve \$2,700 from Reserves for re-cabling the s**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Brad Ness, Peter van Sluis, James Brady, Dave Burbank, NAYS: None

F. **Motion by Brad Ness, seconded by Peter van Sluis , to approve using funds from Equipment Maintenance Funds for Rice County IT Services up to \$75.00 Hour.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Brad Ness, Peter van Sluis, James Brady, Dave Burbank, NAYS: None

G. 911 Expansion Update. Steele County Commissioners voted to move the Sheriff's Dept. out to the Steele County Detention Center. The next step will be meeting with the City of Owatonna and have some discussions on where to go from here

**IV. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Jesse Thomas**

A. Thomas went over topics discussed at the March 15, 2023 Operations Meeting with the Board.

**V. BOARD MEMBER UPDATES**

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Brad Ness, seconded by Dave Burbank to Adjourn the Meeting.**

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Jim Purfeerst, Galen Malecha, Brad Ness, Peter van Sluis, James Brady, Dave Burbank, NAYS: None