

Central Vermont Public Safety Authority
Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce Building
October 20, 2016
Meeting Minutes – Draft

Directors present: Tom Golonka and Dona Bate, representing the City of Montpelier; Michael Smith and Martin Prevost, representing the City of Barre; Doug Hoyt(6:37) and Kim Cheney, at large directors.

Directors absent: Alexandra Pastor, at large director.

Others attending: Dave Rubalcaba; Caroline Earle; Fred Cummings; Tim Bombardier and; Paco Aumand, CVPSA Executive Director

The meeting was called to order by Tom at 6:30

A motion to approve the agenda as presented, with one addition, was made by Dona, seconded by Kim.

Motion passed.

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 6th meeting was made by Kim, seconded by Dona.

Motion passed.

No public comment.

A motion to approve payments presented to the Board was made by Kim, seconded by Dona. **Motion passed.**

Paco delivered the Executive Director's report including: update on the CVPSA bank account; response to a letter from citizen Steve Whitaker (received by Board members); report on the Public Safety Broadband Committee meeting; review of dispatching document with Board member Kim Cheney; Conversation with Jack of the FOP regarding labor issues; meeting with the chiefs regarding the upcoming budget proposal for dispatch and; the cost of the data circuit.

The Board had a discussion regarding the name of the dispatch center and, the name that would be used to answer the phone when the center was operational. The Board tentatively decided on the CV Dispatch Center.

The Board had a discussion regarding assuming responsibility for dispatch operations as of July 1, 2017 and the need to sign a MOU with VCIC (Vermont Criminal Information Center). The Board discussed the upcoming vote on the ceding authority document.

A motion to approve the MOU on ceding authority as presented, with minor changes, was made by Kim, seconded by Dona. **Motion passed.**

The Board had a discussion regarding the operational plan including; the operation budget plan for FY18; management structure; employees/personnel and; protections for non-union employees.

The Board had a discussion regarding the presentation to Councils for the ceding authority request and deciding on the dates of November 9th for Montpelier and November 15th for Barre.

Paco reviewed a letter by citizen Steven Whitaker. Paco reviewed what was going on in the state regarding public safety dispatching and agreed with Mr. Whitaker that the Board needs to pay attention to the overall communications environment, however, Mr. Whitaker's suggestion that the Board was going in the "wrong direction" regarding dispatch, failed to take into account that the CVPSA's mission is to regionalize all public safety functions, not just dispatch.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kim, seconded by Martin. **Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.**

Respectfully submitted by,
Michael Smith
CVPSA Secretary

The Next regularly scheduled meeting of the Central Vermont Public Safety Authority will be held November 3rd, 6:30pm at the Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce Building (located at the corner of Stewart Rd and Paine Turnpike in Berlin).