

Central Vermont Public Safety Authority
Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce Building
November 17, 2016
Meeting Minutes – Draft

Directors present: Kim Cheney, Doug Hoyt, and Alexandra Pastor, at-large directors; Michael Smith, representing Barre City.

Directors absent: Dona Bate and Tom Golonka, representing the City of Montpelier; Martin Prevost, representing Barre City.

Others attending: Joe Aldsworth; Paco Aumand, CVPSA Executive Director; David Delcore, Times Argus reporter; Caroline Earle; Tony Facos; Dave Rubalcaba; Azailiah and Zach Tillinghast(6:34).

The meeting was called to order by Alexandra at 6:31pm

A motion to approve the agenda, as presented, was made by Kim, seconded by Doug. **Motion passed.**

Public comment: None

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 3rd meeting was made by Doug, seconded by Kim. **Motion passed.**

Paco delivered the Executive Director's report and outlined his activities since the last board meeting. Including: work on documents for the Barre City Council meeting on the 15th; an overview, and answer to, a letter by Jim Ward, a Barre City resident, who had some concerns regarding the City ceding authority for dispatch; discussions with public safety personnel regarding dispatching concerns, specifically concerning fire dispatching and, work on a response to a letter from Montpelier City Manager, Bill Frazier, asking specific questions regarding the ceding authority for dispatch.

Manager Frazier's letter prompted a Board discussion regarding what is success for the Authority and, how would that be measured. Success would include several categories, among them: People (retention, opportunities); Service quality (policies/procedures implemented); Service delivery (neutral, customer-driven approach); Financing (document costs) and; growth. The discussion for quality measurements started with the question: How do we know how we are doing? The discussion included: defining best practices and measuring for that; creating an instrument to measure success; providing a mechanism to receive regular feedback and; having performance measures that are not necessarily quantitative. The Board discussed the concern of radio discipline and how to address it.

The Board reviewed the Barre City Council vote to cede authority for dispatch that took place on the 15th and discussed the upcoming Montpelier Council vote to do the same.

The Board discussed the FY18 budget request and the timeline for approval. Emphasis was put on an allowance for the collective bargaining agreement. Labor attorney, Scott Cameron, and union representative Jack Parlon will be notified of the schedule.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kim, seconded by Michael. **Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:43pm.**

Respectfully submitted by,
Michael Smith
CVPSA Secretary

The Next regularly scheduled meeting of the Central Vermont Public Safety Authority will be held December 1st, 6:30pm at the Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce Building, located at the corner of Stewart Road and Paine Turnpike in Berlin.