



DISPATCH ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES

August 4, 2021

Regular Meeting Minutes
2:00 pm

Stanislaus Regional 9-1-1
3705 Oakdale Rd, Modesto, CA 95357

1.0 Open and Welcome

Meeting called to order at 2:02 pm by Division Fire Chief, Mike Lillie

Advisory Board Members Present: City of Modesto Division Fire Chief, Mike Lillie (for City of Modesto Fire Chief/Chairman, Alan Ernst); OES/Fire Warden, Richard Murdock

Advisory Board Members Present via TEAMS Video or teleconference pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20: Stanislaus County Chief Probation Officer, Mark Ferriera;

Advisory Board Members Absent: Stanislaus County Sheriff, Jeff Dirkse; City of Modesto Interim Police Chief, Brandon Gillespie; City of Modesto Fire Chief, Alan Ernst

Others Present via TEAMS: Angelica Ramos, Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office; Scotty Douglass, City of Modesto; City of Modesto Lieutenant, Jason Grogan

Others Present: Wendy Silva, Desiderio Calzada, John Bettencourt, Melissa Parikh, Stanislaus Regional 9-1-1; Erik Klevmyr, OES/Deputy Fire Warden

2.0 Public Comment Period

No public comments.

3.0 Consent Calendar

3.1 Approval of Minutes from Dispatch Advisory Board Regular Meeting June 2, 2021

Motion to Approve the Minutes from the Dispatch Advisory Board Regular Meeting June 2, 2021 approved by Murdock, seconded by Ferriera, unam. 3-0

4.0 Regular Agenda

4.1 Agreement to Recommend and Forward to the Consolidated Emergency Dispatch Agency Commission a One (1) Year Support Agreement with Tait North America, Inc. in an Amount not to Exceed \$70,055.75 for the County-wide 800 Megahertz Public Safety Radio System

Stanislaus Regional 9-1-1 (SR911) Executive Director, Wendy Silva (Silva) shared that In Fiscal Year 2015/16, the Consolidated Emergency Dispatch Agency Commission (Commission) approved the installation of a county-wide 800 Megahertz (800 MHz) radio system to provide radio coverage for the Highway 99 corridor in Stanislaus County. This radio system supports all public safety agencies within Stanislaus County and allows agencies to migrate to the new digital technology. The equipment and installation/maintenance services were initially purchased from Tait, Inc. As of August 1, 2016, Harris Corporation announced a strategic partnership with Tait North America, Inc. where Harris would act as the sole distributor of Tait products and support in North America. Therefore, Harris Corporation was the vendor that provides support to the 800 MHz Stanislaus County-wide Public Safety Radio System. As of July 1, 2020, Tait North America, Inc. and Harris Corporation agreed that the maintenance agreement should stream through Tait North America, Inc. In order to continue vendor support of the 800 MHz county-wide radio system, it is recommended that the Dispatch Advisory Board (Advisory Board) agree to recommend and forward the agreement with Tait North America, Inc. to the Commission for retroactive approval to July 1, 2021. There is a correction to Item 4.1 Fiscal Impact, it states \$70,055.25 but it should read \$70,055.75. Chief Lillie asked if the contract can be amended at a later date to add a ninth tower. Silva responded that it could be done.

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5.0 Informational

5.1 Monthly Dispatch Operations Report

Stanislaus Regional 9-1-1 (SR911) Executive Director, Wendy Silva (Silva) presented the Monthly Dispatch Operations and Staffing Report included in the packet.

5.2 Status Report Regarding Stanislaus Regional 9-1-1 Technical Projects

SR911, Deputy Director, Desiderio Calzada (Calzada) gave an update on the Technical Services projects. Chief Lillie shared USDD staff fly in Monday morning. They are going to meet at Fire Station 1 (one) and go over the final steps of Phoenix G2. After that they will go to each fire station and do final programming and testing of the equipment. There will be training the following week. The hope is to go live on August 24, 2021.

5.3 Executive Director Report

Silva shared that they had a meeting regarding the Matrix Report and grouped it in with the medical dispatching component as well as the AB-988 Bill. The group will be pulling in legal counsel due to AB-988 because it will impact all agencies. Silva also mentioned that there are a lot of mandates coming down. Effective October 24, 2021 all phone lines will require you to enter 1 (one) plus the area code to every seven-digit line.

5.4 Dispatch Advisory Board Member Reports

Chief Lillie shared last month Modesto Fire made a P25 change. On the fire side they took their VHF Channels that were still analog and upgraded them to P25. Also, Modesto Fire took over fire services in the City of Ceres. Chief Lillie commented that he appreciates all the work SR911 staff has done.

6.0 Adjournment

Regular meeting adjourned at 2:23 pm

ATTESTED: Melissa Parikh
Dispatch Advisory Board Clerk

The above is a summary of the minutes of the Governing Board of the Dispatch Advisory Board. Complete audio minutes are available from the Stanislaus Regional 9-1-1 Administration Office.