



Tama County Emergency Management

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The Tama County Emergency Management Commission held a regular meeting on June 8, 2021 that was called to order by Chair Sheriff Kucera at 7:05 p.m.

Member's present were Sheriff Kucera, Mary Wankowicz (Dysart), Joe Boll (Toledo Alt.), Carri Holst (Traer), Larry Thomas (Tama Alt.), Dan Anderson (Board of Supervisor), Trent Wentzien (Lincoln).

Other's present were Ryan Goodenbour, Jeremy Cremeans Interim Coordinator/911 Director, Mark Bear, Tyler Sell, Shawn Kennedy, Jason Bina

Motion by Wankowicz second by Boll to approve the agenda, motion carried.

Motion by Holst to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2021 meeting Second by Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion by Wankowicz to approve the claims Second by Boll, motion carried.

Old Business

Sheriff Kucera introduced Ryan Goodenbour to the group and said that his official start date would be July 6th. He will start with Jeremy in the 911 office until he gets situated. Office location is yet to be determined. Ryan was welcomed and gave some of his background to the group.

There was no update to the hazard mitigation plan at this time and Todd was not present to present.

Jeremy provided an update as to the mass notification system (AlertIowa) that the county will be moving to July 1, 2021 and that work and trainings continue.

New Business

Jeremy asked the service board to purchase mobile routers for the EMA vehicle and presented a quote from RACOM for this. Jeremy explained that the AVL system that the county was using has become obsolete with many agencies not installing these when new rigs are purchase and put into service. The service of the system isn't predictable or reliable. The officers are now using IP based AVL which the Comm Center has access to. Jeremy wanted this to apply to the EMA vehicle as well. This will also allow for a fixed mobile hotspot in the vehicle. There was some question about the 5-year IoT essentials plan was for. This is a service that users pay into that ensures network endpoints stay connected and protected and updated with the current software. A service agreement with Cradlepoint support more or less. There was some discussion about this with a motion by Boll to move forward with the purchase of the most cost effective option, second by Holst. Motion carried.

Anderson brought up that the Board of Supervisors had met with Tammy Wise, HR Coordinator at their meeting on Monday bringing up the salary of the new coordinator and some concerns and possible legal issues as the advertised salary is higher than the starting salary being offered to the new coordinator. The suggestions made about starting salary of \$45,000 and then a possible raise to \$47,000 after 6 month review. Tammy felt that this was more agreeable. Anderson told Tammy that he would address this with the board at the meeting knowing that this wasn't an agenda item and no action could be taken.

Wankowicz felt that the new coordinator was agreeable to the starting salary that was offered and even if the starting salary was raised to \$45,000, this was still under the advertisement. It was suggested to get



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another view of this and possible check with wage an hour. No action taken at this time and this item will be placed on next moths agenda.

The next regular Emergency Management Commission meeting will be July 13, 2021 directly following the 911 Service Board meeting.

A motion was made by Holst to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Second by Wankowicz. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Cremeans