

9-1-1 Services Board's Funding Committee Meeting

Monday, April 17, 2017

Committee Members in Attendance

Sheriff Kevin Hall (Chair) Steve McMurrer Chief Kelvin Wright Jolena Young

Staff Members in Attendance

Dorothy Spears-Dean Lewis Cassada

Other Individuals in Attendance

Major Peter T. McRae

Call the Meeting to Order

Sheriff Hall called the meeting to order at 1:03pm.

1) Funding Committee Charter

Ms. Spears-Dean reviewed the draft charter that had been created for the Committee and asked if members had any feedback. Ms. Young requested that "in consideration of the best interests of statewide 9-1-1 services and Virginia local governments" be added to the Purpose/Business Need section.

2) Current Wireless Funding Methodology

ISP staff reviewed the development of the wireless funding formula and how the PSAP distribution percentages are calculated. Major McRae suggested that a tutorial be created for the current funding methodology and that definitions of all data elements included in this funding methodology be provided to the Committee. This would enable everyone to have a clear understanding of how the current funding amounts are calculated. The other members agreed and asked questions regarding the potential impact of various criteria. ISP staff also reviewed when the next recalculation of the PSAP wireless distribution percentages is mandated to occur and the financial impact of this recalculation. More discussion from the membership ensued and staff was asked to provide the following items for the next Committee meeting:

- Compare FY 16 funding in actual dollars (not percentage) for each PSAP to projected funding amounts
- Revise projections to address PSAP consolidations that occurred between FY12 and FY16
- Provide subscriber totals for each PSAP and compare to call load data
- Compare personnel cost data for each PSAP to population, square miles, and call volume

Mr. McMurrer offered an alternative funding formula for the Committee to consider. This formula attempts to keep the distribution of the wireless revenue neutral.

3) Future Meeting Schedule

Committee members discussed their future availability in order for ISP to schedule future meeting dates. Ms. Spears-Dean said she would advise the Committee about future meeting dates soon.

4) Public Comments

Some participants were experiencing difficulty with the audio bridge so Ms. Spears-Dean suggested participants use the “chat” feature in WebEx. Several remote participants asked about the availability of Mr. McMurrer’s funding spreadsheet. Ms. Spears-Dean said the spreadsheet had already been posted to the ISP website for review.