



CAECD Board of Managers | Summary Minutes

10:30 a.m. or upon adjournment of the Executive Committee, Wednesday, February 14, 2024
6800 Bureson Road
Building 310, Suite 165
Austin, Texas 78744

Present (20)

Mayor Lew White, City of Lockhart, **Chair**
Mayor Pro Tem Matthew Baker, City of Round Rock,
2nd Vice Chair
Judge Brett Bray, Blanco County, **Secretary**
Judge Ron Cunningham, Llano County, **Parliamentarian**
Judge James Oakley, Burnet County, **Immediate Past
Chair**
Commissioner Clara Beckett, Bastrop County
Mayor Lyle Nelson, City of Bastrop
Council Member Kevin Hight, City of Bee Cave
Commissioner Joe Don Dockery, Burnet County

Judge Hoppy Haden, Caldwell County
Judge Dan Mueller, Fayette County
Mayor Pro Tem Steve Hougen, City of Granite Shoals
Commissioner Steven Knobloch, Lee County
Mayor Pro Tem Doug Weiss, City of Pflugerville
Mayor Jane Hughson, City of San Marcos
Mayor Brandt Rydell, City of Taylor
Judge Andy Brown, Travis County
Commissioner Ann Howard, Travis County
Commissioner Russ Boles, Williamson County
Representative Vikki Goodwin

Absent (6)

Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Hays County, **1st Vice
Chair**
Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, City of Austin
Council Member Ron Garland, City of Georgetown

Mayor Pro Tem Esmé Mattke Longoria, City of Leander
Council Member Janice Bruno, City of Smithville
Commissioner Cynthia Long, Williamson County

1. **Call to Order and opening remarks by the Chair**

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 10:43 a.m.

2. **Consider Approving Minutes for the January 10, 2024 CAECD Board of Managers Meeting**

Mayor White asked the board to consider approving the January 10, 2024 CAECD Board of Managers meeting minutes. Commissioner Boles made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Dockery seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

3. **Consider Approving Renewal of Data Hub Contract with GeoComm**

Charles Simon, Director of Regional Planning & Services

Mr. Simon asked the Board to consider approving the issuance of a purchase order, in the amount of \$87,973.84, for a one-year renewal to GeoComm's Data Hub system. Our local governments use Data Hub to detect and analyze errors in the 9-1-1 GIS database that could cause inaccurate call routing within the jurisdictional boundaries.

Mayor White asked for a vote on the item. Judge Bray made a motion to approve the one-year renewal to GeoComm. Mayor Hughson seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

4. **Consider Amending the CAECD PSAP Policies**

Betty Voights, Executive Director

Richard Morales, Emergency Communications Director

Ms. Voights asked the Board to consider approving the draft of proposed amendments to policies governing Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs), as recommended by the CAECD Strategic Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting at its February 1, 2024 meeting. The PSAP Policies were initially adopted in 2014 after a significant loss of 9-1-1 funding prompted rules for operational levels that could be supported by available funding and minor amendments were made in 2017.

Ms. Voights noted that Commissioner Long, who is the board's liaison with the SAC, was not able to attend the meeting but they had discussed the recommended amendments on the agenda, specifically the section that allows for a newly approved PSAP to self-fund in the event the CAECD does not have the available revenue. Commissioner Long recommended that the board approve a new PSAP per the criteria, but it should not be activated until there are sufficient CAECD funds to support it.

Discussion followed on Lago Vista's interest in self-funding its PSAP, whether it matters which entity is paying for it or whether it is good policy for the CAECD to be adding a lot of PSAPs just because the local governments can afford them.

Mr. Morales responded that infrastructure projects, like laying down new fiber, can be very expensive. In this case, the cost could be between \$6-7 million. There is also impact on the CAECD staff; ongoing technical support, network monitoring and increased training would be necessary. Even if a PSAP is willing to pay its operational costs, there is not really a way to roll in these other costs. The discussion turned to the possibility of ISDs adding police departments and needing a PSAP. Commissioner Boles discussed school districts now asking for PSAPs too – the real cost of a PSAP is not always understood.

Judge Oakley asked why action needs to be taken on this item today and Ms. Voights responded that it could be tabled; however, the staff's position would still be recommending the amendments proposed today as a result of the SAC meeting. Commissioner Dockery referred to communications from Lago Vista and from some of the SAC members who were not at the meeting, and suggested the policies be tabled because he didn't feel everyone was satisfied with what was being proposed.

Mayor White asked for a vote to table this item until after the CAECD SAC meets again, and to add it to the March CAECD BOM meeting agenda. Commissioner Dockery made a motion to table the item and Commissioner Beckett seconded the motion. The motion passed, with one no vote by Commissioner Boles.

5. Consider Approving Committee Appointments

Betty Voights, Executive Director

Ms. Voights did not have any committee appointments to share with the Board.

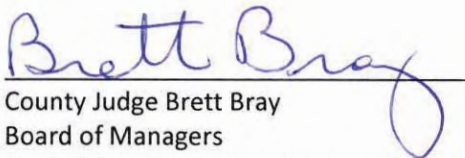
6. Staff Reports

Betty Voights, Executive Director

Ms. Voights did not have any staff reports to share with the Board.

7. Adjourn

Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.


County Judge Brett Bray
Board of Managers
Capital Area Emergency Communications District

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