

# MISSISSIPPI WIRELESS COMMUNICATION COMMISSION

December 4, 2025

MS Wildlife, Fisheries, & Parks, Conference Room  
1505 Eastover Drive, Jackson, MS

<b>Commission Members</b>	<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>In</b>
MS Department of Public Safety	Davis, Mandy (Chairman)	Yes
MS Department of Transportation	Jordan, Jim (Vice-Chairman)	Yes
MS Fire Chiefs Association	Bailey, Matt	Yes
MS Association of Supervisors	Gray, Steve	Yes
MS Office of Homeland Security	Freeman, Bobby	Yes
MS Highway Safety Patrol	Loper, Donald	Yes
MS Department of Corrections	McAfee, Audrey	No
MS Emergency Management Agency	McCraney, Stephen	Yes
MS National Guard	McMillan, Maj. William	Yes
MS Municipal League	Moore, Glen	Yes
MS Sheriff's Association	Mullins, Paul	Yes
MS Department of Environmental Quality	Sanders, Chris	Yes
MS Department of Information Technology	Savorgnan, Holly	Yes
MS Association of Chiefs of Police	Scarber, Ernie	No
MS Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks	Skipworth, Curtis	Yes
MS Department of Health	Windham, Teresa	Yes
<b>Advisory Members</b>		
House of Representatives Appropriations Committee	Bounds, Scott	Yes
House of Representatives Public Utilities Committee	Lancaster, Jon	Yes
House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee	Steverson, Jody	Yes
Senate Appropriations Committee	Williams, Bart	Yes

Chairman Mandy Davis called the December 6, 2025 meeting to order at 1:31 PM and welcomed all including commissioners, legislative advisors, staff, and visitors to the meeting. Chairman Davis asked Mrs. Karana Carroll to conduct a roll call of those Commissioners and legislative advisors who may be joining the meeting via conference call. Chairman Davis called for the review of and a motion to approve the November 4, 2025, minutes. Commissioner Teresa Windham made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Holly Savorgnan. Chairman Davis called for any discussion. Commissioner Donald Loper noted a spelling error with no material effect. Chairman Davis called for unanimous consent, with no objection heard, the motion carried.

Chairman Davis called on Mrs. Carroll to provide the MSWIN Staff Report for November 2025. Mrs. Carroll provided a presentation on new and renewed MOUs, law enforcement events, local events, and special event talk groups assigned. Additional information included site maintenance and repairs. The number of radio IDs in November totaled 68,113 subscribers, push-to-talks for November totaled 10.9M and the number of busies totaled 357. Mrs. Carroll also reported MSWIN Top 10 state agency system usage and Top 10 local/other agencies system usage for the month.

Mrs. Carroll then provided a review of the staff activities in November where the staff presented and worked at a booth at the 2025 MS Civil Defense/Emergency Management Association (MCDEMA) Mid-Winter Conference. Mrs.

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Carroll served and presented on a panel discussion at the Enterprise Wireless Alliance (EWA) Wireless Leadership Summit in Columbus, OH. Staff led a meeting with console users and Motorola regarding the Motorola AXS console, presented an MSWIN Update & Review to the MDOT engineer leadership team from regions 1-9, and work began on the tower truck to equip it as a mobile SOW. The staff loaned cache radios to MS Law Enforcement Officer Training Academy (MLEOTA), Claiborne County EMA, and Leflore County EMA. The staff also continued to work with contractors to co-locate equipment on MSWIN towers.

Mrs. Carroll gave an update on the Green River site in DeSoto County, and it is progressing. The MS Band of Choctaw Indian's Bogue Chitto site is active. These sites will be part of the MSWIN network bringing the total number of MSWIN sites to 186. She also reported the results of the annual survey from MSWIN users. The results were that MSWIN is the primary means of communications for 92% of users and 96% said MSWIN is reliable with 94% reporting being very satisfied/satisfied. The users also said the WCC staff respond quickly to outages and other issues, and the staff provides quality service and communication. End users reported additional needs for portable indoor and portable outdoor coverage, refresher training classes for users including proper use of radio transmission and functions, interoperability training, and understanding talkgroups.

Mrs. Carroll reported no change in the Contract Status Report. Chairman Davis called for any questions or comments about the staff report presented. Hearing none, Chairman Davis thanked Mrs. Carroll for the report.

Chairman Davis called for the report of the Procurement Committee. Commissioner Donald Loper reported there was one procurement request this month for a subsequent purchase from the Department of Public Safety. The previous procurement request was approved by the Commission on November 6, 2025, for \$686,051.10 for 70 APX N70 portable radios. Commissioner Loper reported he would present the procurement request, but as a representative of this department, he is abstaining from voting. Chairman Davis thanked Commissioner Loper and stated that as she and Commissioner Bobby Freeman are also a representative of DPS, they are abstaining from voting on the procurement request as well.

Commissioner Loper said the subsequent request is from the Department of Public Safety for 20 APX N70 portable radios with accessories for \$196,014.60 from state contract 3429. Official board minutes are not required, and it has received technical approval. The department is seeking to order additional radios for the incoming MS Highway Patrol cadet class in January. This request is funded by a special fund for MHP Cadet Class 70. Commissioner Chris Sanders made a motion to approve the Department of Public Safety's procurement request, seconded by Commissioner Stephen McCraney. Chairman Davis called for any discussion. With no discussion, Chairman Davis called for unanimous consent vote, with Chairman Davis, Commissioner Freeman, and Commissioner Loper abstaining; no objection was heard, the motion carried and the procurement request was approved. Commissioner Loper stated this concluded the Procurement Committee's report. Chairman Davis thanked Commissioner Loper.

Chairman Davis reported there was no report of the Governance and Interoperability Committee. Chairman Davis announced on behalf of the committee the FirstNet Authority Meeting scheduled for October has been postponed to December 11, 2025, at MS Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks from 10-noon. All commissioners and FirstNet users are invited to attend.

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Chairman Davis reported there was no report of the Emerging Technologies Committee.

Chairman Davis called for the approval of the November expenditures. Commissioner Holly Savorgnan presented the FY2026 financial report for November for the general operating fund as provided on the WCC Detail of Monthly Expenses and the WCC Activity Reports. Commissioner Jim Jordan motioned to accept the report, seconded by Commissioner William McMillan. Chairman Davis called for any discussion. With no discussion, Chairman Davis called for unanimous consent, with no objection heard, the motion carried.

Chairman Davis called for any Other Business to come before the Commission today. Hearing none, Chairman Davis moved on to MSWIN in Action and asked Mr. Dent Guynes to introduce the guest speaker, Mr. Brent Crocker, Director of Emergency Management for Mississippi State University. Mr. Crocker oversees emergency management on campus with 23,000 students with 5,000 of them residing in dorms. With MSWIN, he can communicate with other agencies for all school events including athletic games, concerts, graduations, and other campus events. These events require coordination with local and state partners such as MEMA, MS Highway Patrol, CTED, and local agencies. MSU football games bring 60,000 attendees with more tailgating in the Junction. During baseball season the school hosts 15,000 fans at The Dude and The Hump will have 10,000 fans for basketball games. He noted that during events, the university will have populations greater than some counties. With this many people descending on the campus, cell phones are not reliable due to network failures because of the number of people/users on campus. The most reliable way to communicate is by radio on MSWIN. Events like these teach the emergency personnel how to work and communicate within their agency and with outside agencies. The school holds concerts such as Bulldog Bash off campus in the streets of Starkville and singer Zach Brown at Davis Wade Stadium. Mr. Crocker added the Meridian Campus of MSU also holds graduations and other events on campus and the Emergency Management office can monitor these events via radio from the office in Starkville. The statewide network allows them to work normally in Starkville and stay tuned in to other campuses. Mr. Crocker held emergency drills in the spring noting that communication is critical. He said the MSWIN system provides reliable, interoperable, and scalable communications for the university. Mr. Crocker thanked the commission for the support in making this system and said it is appreciated.

Chairman Davis announced the next monthly meeting of the Wireless Communication Commission is scheduled for January 1, 2026. Commissioner Savorgnan motioned to move the monthly meeting to January 8, 2026, due to the holiday. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion. Chairman Davis called for any discussion. With no discussion, Chairman Davis called for unanimous consent, with no objection heard, the motion carried. Chairman Davis announced the next meeting will be held at 1:30 PM, on Thursday, January 8, 2026, at 1:30 PM, at MS Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks. Chairman Davis then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Curtis Skipworth motioned to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Windham. With no discussion and none opposed, the motion carried.

Attested: Executive Director

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Date

*12/19/2025*

Approved: Chair or Vice Chair

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*1/8/2026*