

MISSISSIPPI WIRELESS COMMUNICATION COMMISSION

June 5, 2025

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

Commission Members	Commissioner	In
MS Department of Public Safety	Davis, Mandy (Chairman)	Yes
MS Department of Transportation	Jordan, Jim (Vice-Chairman)	No
MS Fire Chiefs Association	Bailey, Matt	No
MS Association of Supervisors	Gray, Steve	Yes
MS Department of Health	Horn, Marshall	No
MS Office of Homeland Security	Kruger, Baxter	Yes
MS Highway Safety Patrol	Loper, Donald	Yes
MS Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks	Mann, Doug	Yes
MS Department of Corrections	McAfee, Audrey	Yes
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	No
MS Department of Environmental Quality	Sanders, Chris	Yes
MS Department of Information Technology	Savorgnan, Holly	Yes
MS Association of Chiefs of Police	Scarber, Ernie	Yes
Advisory Members		
Senate Finance Committee	Barrett, Jason	Yes
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

Chairman Mandy Davis called the meeting to order at 1:32 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 May 1, 2025, minutes. Commissioner Steve Gray made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Stephen McCraney. 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 on Mrs. Carroll to provide the MSWIN Staff Report for May 2025. Mrs. Carroll provided a presentation on MOU renewals, law enforcement events, local events, special event talk groups assigned, and activities staff participated in during May. Additional information included site maintenance and repairs, the generator paint project, and the number of radio IDs in May totaled 66,561 subscribers. Push-to-talks for May totaled 12.5M and the number of busies were 516 with the reliability of the statewide communications systems at 99.999%. Mrs. Carroll also reported MSWIN Top 10 state agency system usage and Top 10 local/other agencies system usage for the month.

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Mrs. Carroll then provided a review of the staff activities in May to include monitoring severe weather throughout the state. The staff also worked with Motorola during the refresh of the MSWIN system and visited the new site in Poplarville South and met with local agencies and representatives. Mr. Dent Guynes and Mr. Marty Letchworth attended and presented at the 2025 Partners in Preparedness (PIP) Conference in Biloxi, MS, and at the 2025 MS Fire Chiefs/Firefighters Conference in Vicksburg, MS. Spring preventative maintenance is ongoing for ground maintenance, generators, and HVAC systems at each site.

Mrs. Carroll provided a Coverage Expansion Project update about the Poplarville South site in Pearl River County. The MS Band of Choctaw Indians have two of their three new sites operational. DeSoto County continues moving forward with their Green River tower site. She also gave an MSWIN Refresh Project update. Staff continue to meet with Motorola on the completion of the SUA, and it remains on target for completion in June 2025 and close out meetings have been scheduled. Mrs. Carroll thanked the legislature for their ongoing commitment to and investing in MSWIN to provide the best coverage.

Mrs. Carroll reported in the Contract Status Report noting that Butler Snow and Cindy Crocker contracts are in progress. 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. The procurement request is from Adams County to purchase 4 MCC 7500E dispatch consoles at a cost of \$425,000.00 from state contract 3429. The county is replacing their existing MCC 5500 console system that is obsolete. The request received technical approval noting these consoles are supported by Motorola through 2030. Commissioner Loper reported Adams County's request received approval from the committee to recommend approval to the Commission. Commissioner Loper motioned to approve the procurement request, seconded by Commissioner Doug Mann. 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 report of the Governance and Interoperability Committee. As Col. Causey is no longer serving as a commissioner, Chairman Davis asked Commissioner Mann to serve as Chairman of the Governance and Interoperability Committee, and he accepted. Commissioner Mann reported the Push to Talk (PTT) over Long Term Evolution (LTE) on the MSWIN system report is in progress and will be brought to the commission in the coming months.

Chairman Davis called on Commissioner Audrey McAfee for the report of the Emerging Technologies Committee. Commissioner McAfee reported there was no report this month.

Chairman Davis called for the approval of May expenditures. Commissioner Holly Savorgnan presented the FY2025 financial report for May including general funds, local project funds, and capital funds as provided on the WCC Detail of Monthly Expenses and the WCC Activity Reports. Commissioner Baxter Kruger motioned to accept the report, seconded by Commissioner Mann. Chairman Davis called for any discussion. With no discussion, Chairman Davis called for unanimous consent, with no objection heard, the motion carried.

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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 speaker, Mr. Charles Harrison, SPR Logistics Bureau Director/Air Operations Director with the MS Department of Health. Mr. Harrison has been with the Department of Health since 2022, he is a volunteer fireman, and his background is Emergency Management and Public Safety. The Department of Health began using MSWIN in 2009 as their primary communication system. The MSWIN system was critical providing communications to the command site during the Mississippi River Flood, the tornado relief in Louisville, and during the COVID pandemic. The greatest success was in the Jackson Water Crisis where MSWIN played a primary role. The Department of Health was able to coordinate with UMC Air Ambulance when drones were flown over the city to locate leaks. The MSWIN system has proven reliable across the state for the Department of Health when Ebola positive patients have been transported across state lines. Mr. Harrison thanked the commission for allowing him to speak.

Chairman Davis announced the next monthly meeting of the Wireless Communication Commission is scheduled for July 3, 2025. Chairman Davis asked if there are any objections to meeting on this date. Commission Chris Sanders motioned to move the meeting to the following Thursday, July 10, 2025, due to the holiday, seconded by Commission Savorgnan. 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 July 10, 2025, at MS Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks. Chairman Davis then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Kruger motioned to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner McCraney. With no discussion and none opposed, the motion carried.



Attested: Executive Director



Date



Approved: Chair or Vice Chair



Date