

MISSISSIPPI WIRELESS COMMUNICATION COMMISSION
 March 2, 2023
 Woolfolk Building, Room 145
 501 North State Street, Jackson, MS

Commission Members	Commissioner	In
MS Department of Public Safety	Davis, Mandy (Chairman)	Yes
MS Department of Health	Craig, Jim (Vice Chairman)	Yes
MS Fire Chiefs Association	Bailey, Matt	Yes
MS National Guard	Causey, Lt. Col. Ray	No
MS Department of Transportation	Cohen, Ben	No
MS Office of Homeland Security	Freeman Bobby	Yes
MS Municipal League	Girod, Arty	Yes
MS Association of Supervisors	Gray, Steve	No
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 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	Stanley, David	Yes

Chairman Mandy Davis called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM and welcomed all including commissioners, legislative advisors, staff, and visitors including Representative Jeff Hale. Chairman Davis asked Mrs. Karana Carroll to conduct a roll call of those Commissioners who may be joining the meeting via conference call. Chairman Davis called for the review of and a motion to approve the February 2, 2023 minutes. Commissioner Paul Mullins made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner David Stanley. 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 Status Update for February 2023. She reported information on executed MOUs and renewals, special event talkgroups assigned, and activities staff participated in during February. Mrs. Carroll provided a slide presentation on site maintenance and repairs. Mrs. Carroll noted the number of radio IDs in February totaled 57,210 subscribers. Push-to-talks for February totaled more than 9.1M and the number of busies were 536. Mrs. Carroll also reported MSWIN Top 10 state agency system usage and Top 10 local/other agencies system usage for the month.

Mrs. Carroll recognized Mr. Joel Speed, President of Clarke County Board of Supervisors, who spoke briefly about the county's February 6, 2023, board meeting that included discussion about MSWIN and the county's decision to utilize MSWIN County wide. He thanked Mrs. Carroll and Mr. Guynes for presenting at the county board meeting.

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Mrs. Carroll then provided a MSWIN Refresh Project update, along with Mr. Bill Buffington, to include a review of the activities and invoices to date.

Mr. Bill Buffington continued to report on MSWIN projects including working with cellular carriers to co-locate equipment on MSWIN tower sites.

Mrs. Carroll reported on the Contract Status Report with no changes to report.

Chairman Davis called for the report of the Procurement Committee. Commissioner Donald Loper presented four procurement requests to the commission. The first request from Clarke County BOS included the purchase of 94 handheld radios and chargers for \$157,821.48 from Statewide Contract 3429. Mr. David Sharp, Clarke County EMA Director provided an overview of the project. The Procurement Committee approved the purchase with no action required by the full commission. The second request from Hinds County included the purchase of outdoor warning sirens and accessories for \$146,925.00 from the Statewide Contract 3429. Mr. Joey Perkins, Hinds County EMA Director provided an overview of the project. The Procurement Committee approved the purchase with no action required by the full commission. The third request from Yalobusha County 911 included the purchase of 3 Avtec consoles for \$161,334.30 from the Statewide Contract 3429. Mr. Stewart Spence, Yalobusha County 911 Coordinator provided an overview of the project. The Procurement Committee approved the purchase with no action required by the full commission. The fourth request from the City of Columbus Police Department included the purchase of 60 APX6000 portable radios, 6 APX1500 mobile radios, and 1 APX N70 portable radio for \$264,904.52 from the Statewide Contract 3429. Columbus Police Chief Joseph Daughtry provided an overview of the project. Chairman Loper informed the Commission the APX N70 radio has not yet been approved for use on MSWIN. Chairman Davis called for a motion to approve the procurement request. Commissioner Loper made a motion to approve the request for \$258,339.30, excluding the APX N70, and seconded by Vice-Chairman Jim Craig. Chairman Davis called for any discussion. It was noted that should the APX N70 radios receive approval, the City of Columbus could resubmit their request. Chairman Davis called for unanimous consent, with no objection heard, the motion carried.

Chairman Davis called for a report for the Governance and Interoperability Committee. There was no report this month.

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 expenditures. Commissioner Holly Savorgnan presented the FY2023 financial report for February, including general funds, deficit funds, and grant funds as provided on the WCC Detail of Monthly Expenses and the WCC Activity Reports. Commissioner Doug Mann motioned to accept the report, seconded by Commissioner Bobby Freeman. 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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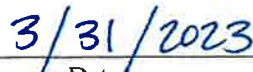
Moving on to MSWIN in Action, Chairman Davis introduced Vice-Chairman Jim Craig. As Senior Deputy, Jim Craig assists in the oversight of agency operations and works closely with the state legislature on health and safety policies. In addition, Jim serves as the Emergency Coordinating Officer for the Mississippi State Department of Health, assigned to the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to coordinate the ESF-8 (Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical) response under the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan of Mississippi. Vice-Chairman Craig has led the state public health response to over 60 activations of the State Emergency Operations Center, including Hurricane Katrina—the worst natural disaster ever recorded in Mississippi- the New Horizon Oil Spill, the historic 2011 Mississippi river flooding, and the City of Jackson water crisis. Vice-Chairman Craig provided an overview of the City of Jackson water crisis, the response, and the current condition. He spoke about the need for interoperable communication during complex responses. The O.B. Curtis location made cell phone use nearly impossible and the plant had no internal radio system. The WCC dispatched expertise and equipment to facilitate interoperable equipment for federal, state, EMAC, and city teams to support the response. Currently, the improvements (equipment and staffing) to the two surface water treatment plants and the well system are producing more than enough clean water for Jackson.

Chairman Davis opened the floor for Other Business. Chairman Davis reminded the personnel committee of the meeting immediately following the Commission meeting today.

With no further business, Chairman Davis announced the next monthly meeting will be held at 1:30 PM, on Thursday April 6, 2023, at MS Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks. Chairman Davis then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mann motioned to adjourn, seconded by Vice-Chairman Craig. With no discussion, the motion carried with none opposed.



Attested: Deputy Executive Officer



Date



Approved: Chair or Vice Chair



Date