

MISSISSIPPI WIRELESS COMMUNICATION COMMISSION

February 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	No
MS National Guard	Causey, Lt. Col. Ray	Yes
MS Department of Transportation	Cohen, Ben	No
MS Municipal League	Girod, Arty	Yes
MS Association of Supervisors	Gray, Steve	No
MS Department of Information Technology	Goodwin, Tommy	Yes
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 Sheriff's Association	Mullins, Paul	Yes
MS Department of Environmental Quality	Sanders, Chris	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. 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 January 5, 2023 minutes. Commissioner Paul Mullins made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Baxter Kruger. 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 January 2023. She reported information on executed MOUs and renewals, special event talkgroups assigned, and activities staff participated in during January. Mrs. Carroll noted the number of radio IDs in December totaled 56,970 subscribers. Push-to-talks for January totaled more than 9.6M and the number of busies were 1,039. Mrs. Carroll also reported MSWIN Top 10 state agency system usage and Top 10 local/other agencies system usage for the month. Mrs. Carroll called on Mr. Guynes to give a summary of a few events, including the Communications Tabletop Exercise which was held at the Rankin County Safe Room.

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. Work continues on the microwave upgrades and invoicing to date has totaled \$5,398,140.15.

Mr. Buffington continued to report on MSWIN projects including working with cellular carriers to co-locate equipment on MSWIN tower sites, replacing microwave waveguide, and rent increases for AT&T leases.

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Mrs. Carroll reported on the Contract Status Report with no changes to report. Mrs. Carroll continued to report on presenting the WCC's Budget Request to both the Senate and House Appropriation Sub-Committee Hearings during January.

Chairman Davis called for the report of the Procurement Committee. Commissioner Donald Loper reported there were no procurements this month.

Chairman Davis called for a report for the Governance and Interoperability Committee. Commissioner Causey reported the WCC, and CISA, hosted a communications interoperability tabletop exercise at the Rankin County Saferoom. There were 40 attendees from around the state, including exercise staff in attendance and had great reviews from those in attendance. WCC, and CISA, will host a State of Mississippi Interoperable Communications Functional Exercise, a communications vehicle rodeo if you will. The goal of this exercise is to demonstrate communications policies, procedures, plans, assets, and capabilities used by agencies in response to multi-jurisdictional events.

Chairman Davis called on Commissioner Audrey McAfee for the report of the Emerging Technologies Committee. Commissioner McAfee reported the WCC is working with Motorola with the onboarding of LTE and Wi-Fi capable radios. This would allow radios to talk on LTE or Wi-Fi if there is a lapse in coverage (inside of building) or out of system coverage range (out of state) to talk as if they were on the MSIWIN LMR System.

Chairman Davis called for the approval of expenditures. Commissioner Tommy Goodwin presented the FY2023 financial report for January, including general funds, deficit funds, and grant funds as provided on the WCC Detail of Monthly Expenses and the WCC Activity Reports. Commissioner Loper motioned to accept the report, seconded by Commissioner Kruger. Chairman Davis called for any discussion. With no discussion, Chairman Davis called for unanimous consent, with no objection heard, the motion carried.

Moving on to MSWIN in Action, Chairman Davis introduced Colonel Randy Ginn. Colonel Randy Ginn is the Assistant Commissioner of Public Safety and Director of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, the state's primary law enforcement agency. Colonel Ginn provided his communication experiences in public safety/law enforcement and specifically the positive impact of MSWIN for all involved.

Chairman Davis opened the floor for Other Business. Commissioner Kruger introduced Bobby Freeman, the new director of Cybersecurity with the MS Department of Homeland Security. With no further business, Chairman Davis announced the next monthly meeting will be held at 1:30 PM, on Thursday March 2, 2023, at the Woolfolk building. Chairman Davis then entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Causey motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Kruger. With no discussion, the motion carried with none opposed.

Karana Carroll

Attested: Deputy Executive Officer

2/24/2023

Date

Mark D.

Approved: Chair or Vice Chair

3/2/23

Date