

**Hardin County 911 Service Board Meeting.
MINUTES: 02-19-2019 at 1800hrs.**

Hardin County Courthouse, Eldora Iowa

**County – B.J. Hoffman
Ackley - Pat Daggs
Alden - Jeff Fiscus
Buckeye -
Eldora – Aaron Budwig
Hubbard –Randy Smuck**

**Iowa Falls –
Radcliffe - Benjamin Krause
Steamboat Rock -
New Providence – Terry Beare
Union – Steve Cox
Whitten –**

County Emergency Management - Dave McDaniel

Board Secretary- Bryce Knudsen

**Guests: Brian Shiman Ackley PD
Nick Whitmore HCSO**

Item 1:

Meeting to order - Dave McDaniel

Item 2:

Moved to approve agenda – Dave McDaniel
Motion – Terry Beare
Second – Ben Krause
Voice vote, all ayes, carries.

Item 3:

Moved to approve January 2019 Meeting Minutes – Dave McDaniel

Motion – Pat Daggs
Second – Randy Smuck
Voice vote, all ayes, carries.

Item 4:

Public hearing on the 2019 to 2020 budget. – Dave McDaniel

Dave McDaniel opened the public hearing on the 2019 to 2020 budget.

Motion – Aaron Budwig
Second – Jeff Fiscus

Dave McDaniel asked if there were any comments

With no comments Dave McDaniel asked if anyone would entertain a motion to close the public meeting.

Motion – Ben Krause

Second – Randy Smuck

Voice vote, all ayes, carries.

Item 5:

Discuss City of Ackley's request for money for Mobile Data Terminal's for City's Patrol Cars.

Pat Daggs advised she had presented the request at last months meeting, however it was not on that agenda.

Bryce Knudsen passed out the information quotes he had received from Pat Daggs on the mobile data terminals.

Dave McDaniel advised he was in favor of the \$1000 grant that this board has approved and set. Dave McDaniel advised if we want to go above that, as he has heard talk of raising the grant amount to \$2000, which he advised he did not think was a bad idea.

Ben Krause then advised that the grant and the possibility of raising the grant was number 9 on the Agenda.

Dave McDaniel advised that since we have done a \$1000 grant in the past we should stay consistent with that. Dave McDaniel advised that he was all for the \$1000 and released that on a \$6000 laptop a \$1000 was not a lot. Dave McDaniel also advised that in his opinion we can not say that the laptops are more important than the radios or the pagers and since the board has decided on \$1000 for the grants it is his opinion that is were we need to stay.

Ben Krause asked if the board has ever given an agency a grant of over \$1000.

Dave McDaniel advised that not off of this service board.

Dave McDaniel then advised that was his position and that he was only one vote. Dave McDaniel then advised that he does not know what Ackley is looking at for laptops, however he knows his laptops cost around \$1800. Dave McDaniel then advised that there is something to go back to the table on but feels if the grant is \$1000 for everybody that is what we should maintain at this point.

Ben Krause advised that he had an idea, however it would have to wait until the possible of increasing the pager/radio grants came up later in the meeting.

Pat Daggs then advised that this came up when they found out the \$1000 was there for radios. Pat Daggs advised that she remembered at the meeting when we have found the \$300,000 and had discussed ways to spend the money and she felt that this was a possible project for that.

Dave McDaniel advised that he did not disagree and did not know what Ackley had proposed for Laptops.

Brian Shiman advised just the standard like what Marshalltown PD and other PD's use that are gotten through RACOM. Brian Shiman advised that right now they did what the county did and use tough books. Brian Shiman advised that these new ones are the ones that are actually designed for the cars and have the removeable screen that separates from the key board and is more efficient with Tracs and signing documents.

Dave McDaniel advised that his laptops are \$1800 so for \$6000 that's a huge spread.

Brian Shiman advised that was the problem being that there's were \$1800 they are not really designed for the car and there are a lot of wires and cables and these are the real deal.

Dave McDaniel asked if these used a docking station and Brian Shiman advised yes they used a dock.

Dave McDaniel advised that he gets that, however this is a board decision and he is only one vote. Dave McDaniel advised that he just struggles with giving a \$1000 last month to Eldora fire for pager reimbursement and then approving a \$12000 expense for a different agency.

Brian Shiman asked if anyone has ever asked for more than \$1000.

Dave McDaniel advised that anyone of them would of if they could of, but we have always had it set at \$1000.

Bryce Knudsen then advised that on the budget side and to answer Pat Daggs question about "discovering" this money that did not get carried over. Bryce Knudsen advised that the thing that the board has to realize is that last years budget was very small and did not provide enough to get us through this year because of projects that had to be done. Bryce Knudsen advised that right now with having to do a budget amendment along with the request of item 9 on our agenda of raising the radio/pager grant. Bryce Knudsen advised that if we would raise that or say double that we would be looking that something that was not put into our upcoming budget. Bryce Knudsen advised that there is already a possibility of possibly an \$80,000 budget amendment for this year, because of things were where not planning on. Bryce Knudsen advised that we had an additional \$14,000 in radio repairs at the Sheriff's Office this year that we were not planning on due to damage at their tower sites, along with having the State radios that we will have to get integrated into our systems and maintenance that we were not planning on and do not have budget monies to get us through that. Bryce Knudsen advised that is something that the board has to think about to since there are things that are going to come up that where not planned that we also have to be able to pay for out of our funds to and we want to be very careful not to short ourselves and go backwards. Bryce Knudsen advised we want to look out for our agencies in this county and I am with Sheriff McDaniel and all for every agency applying for this grant and use this money, but we have to be pretty careful that we don't get ourselves going backward to.

Nick Whitmore advised that the other thing he would like to remind the board is that the money wasn't lost money that was found. Nick Whitmore advised that two months before that he asked the secretary what was in the bank and the money was in the bank it just had not made it to a line item on the form. Nick Whitmore advised that it is not windfall money and that it has always been in the bank and just did not make it to the form. Nick Whitmore advised that concerns him that they thought we had won the lottery and we really did not, we just did not have the money listed on the right line.

Pat Daggs then asked if the money was showing anywhere on the budget.

Nick Whitmore then advised that two months prior he asked how much money was in the bank and that money was in the bank and did not get transferred to the form.

Pat Daggs then asked as far as anyone knew in the budget, we did not know we had that money, and I correct.

Dave McDaniel advised that it has been there.

Pat Daggs then asked since no one was seeing it on paper no one really knew it was there, so when you were doing your yearly budget you did not know that was there.

Dave McDaniel advised were going on other figures.

Nick Whitmore advised we based our yearly budget on \$300,000 in the bank and did not base it on \$70,000. Nick Whitmore then asked Dave McDaniel if he ever thought there was only \$70,000 in the bank or in the whole budget.

Dave McDaniel advised no.

Nick Whitmore then advised that you always knew there was \$300,000 in the bank.

Dave McDaniel advised yes, we were just no looking at it on paper.

Bryce Knudsen advised that it was not showing where it was supposed to show on the budget paper work.

Nick Whitmore then advised that in this business \$100,000 is not a lot of money when we have to keep the PSAP's in operation which is the primary focus of the board.

Dave McDaniel advised that while it is good that we have it, we still need to be mindful of how we move forward. Dave McDaniel advised he was approached about giving every Fire Department \$40,000, that's not reasonable. Dave McDaniel advised he is all for spending it down to an extent, however we still need to have a rainy-day fund if a tower would get wiped out of an explosion since a lot of our repeaters are on elevators, if we would have a grain explosion. Dave McDaniel advised he thinks there are things that we can do to help agencies out, we just need to be mindful of how we do that and not set precedence on something that we are not going to be able to continue to fund going down the road.

Nick Whitmore advised that we just went back to that a couple years ago as we had not been funding anything for a long time.

Dave McDaniel advised that he is in favor of the \$1000 grant, because that is what this board had previously agreed on, but again I am one vote.

Nick Whitmore advised that it seems that we should table this until after Item 9.

Ben Krause then moved to table this discussion until after Item 9 in the agenda and open this discussion back up after we discuss Item 9.

Dave McDaniel asked if there was a second.

Jeff Fiscus seconded the motion.

Voice vote, all ayes, carries.

Dave McDaniel advised that we would bring this item back up after we discuss Item 9

Item 6:

Present grant request for pager/radio reimbursement for Ackley Ambulance.

Bryce Knudsen passed out the information quotes he had received from Pat Daggs on the portable radios that Ackley Ambulance is requesting to replace.

Pat Daggs advised that while Ackley Ambulance was doing their inventory they discovered several old handheld radios that needed to be replaced. Pat Daggs advised what they want to do is purchase nice hand-held radios that are actually incorporated into the front (cab) of the Ambulance so the driver has it right there and can remove it out of the rig. Pat Daggs advised that it does come in a little over and they understand that they have to come up with the difference in funding. Pat Daggs advised that it does come in at \$1150 by the time they do the two radios.

Dave McDaniel asked if this is similar to radios that a lot of larger cities use, they have a mount and it is used as their primary source of communications and when they arrive on scene they just grab the radio.

Pat Daggs advised yes and it is mounted and the radio stays charged and they don't have to worry about grabbing a hand-held and it is accessible right in the rig.

Bryce Knudsen asked if there was any installation or just used a 12-volt power cord.

Pat Daggs advised it has the permanent power cord and can also be plugged into the lighter plug. Pat Daggs advised if there is installation, they would take care of that.

Motion – Aaron Budwig to approve the \$1000.00 per the grant.

Second – Ben Krause

Voice vote, all ayes, carries.

Item 7:

Present grant request for pager/radio reimbursement for Steamboat Rock Fire.

Bryce Knudsen passed out the information quotes he had received from Nick Whitmore on the portable radios that Steamboat Rock Fire is requesting to replace.

Bryce Knudsen advised that Steamboat Rock Fire is for three Kenwood portable radios. Bryce Knudsen advised that the total amount is \$855 which will cover the purchase of the three radios, the programming set up and testing, along with a pretty nice government discount with the total remaining at \$855.

Motion – Ben Krause to give Steamboat rock Fire \$855 as requested.

Second – Aaron Budwig

Voice vote, all ayes, carries.

Nick Whitmore advised he would handle the administration of this one with Radio Communications and have them submit a bill.

Pat Daggs then asked how they submitted the bill.

Bryce Knudsen advised that the bills need to be sent to him and he will invoice them and get them.

Item 8:

Present and discuss quote for new Tip (pager) Radio for the Iowa Falls PSAP.

Bryce Knudsen advised he had discussed this with Chief Harken and it had been brought to the board in an earlier meeting about having it replaced. Bryce Knudsen passed out the paperwork and quote they had received from Electronic engineering to replace the Tip radio. Bryce Knudsen advised the electronic Engineering is in the process of doing some additional testing on the paging system, however Chief Harken talked at one of the other meetings advising the issue that we are dealing with on the paging system is that the radio is turned up as far as it can possibly go. Bryce Knudsen advised that due to the age of the radio there is not much more that can be done and was put in several years ago by the 911 Board during the radio project and it is just a piece of equipment that needs to be replaced. Bryce Knudsen advised that he just wanted to keep the board aware of the issue and keep them informed on the progress and what was going on.

Aaron Budwig asked if the new radio has already been installed. Bryce Knudsen advised that the new radio has not been installed. Bryce Knudsen advised that Wade Harken has been working with Electronic Engineering to get the radio replaced.

Aaron Budwig then asked what testing has been taking place over the last week at the Iowa Falls Comm Center. Bryce Knudsen advised that that testing was being done on the simulcast county paging side to make sure that every thing was working since the simulcast paging in the basement at the Iowa Falls Police Dept. is a totally separate paging system then the Iowa Falls paging system. Bryce Knudsen advised that when the Iowa Falls Police Dept. does back up paging, they are getting into a rotation where they are going to be testing all the county pagers on the simulcast system every month as well as Hardin County doing it. Bryce Knudsen advised that we have been doing some testing on our system and I believe today Hardin County was doing testing and working on some issues with there system as well to get the clarity a little bit better on the paging.

Aaron Budwig asked if this is a separate product or piece of hardware so you can page out of the Comm Center in Iowa Falls correct. Bryce Knudsen advised yes. Nick Whitmore advised to Iowa Falls.

Pat Daggs asked what we meant by to Iowa Falls. Bryce Knudsen advised the Iowa Falls radio system operates totally different than Hardin County's. Bryce Knudsen advised that when we page out Iowa Falls Fire and Iowa Falls Ambulance our radio signal does not go to the County tower, it pages from a repeater tower inside Iowa Falls. Bryce Knudsen advised if we page Ackley, Alden or Eldora off the simulcast side then we switch over to the Hardin County simulcast system and our page goes from the Police Dept. to the tower and to what ever additional tower that that agency is on and operates off of their system as the secondary system for Hardin County. Bryce Knudsen advised that they page off of two different systems depending on who is being paged out.

Pat Daggs asked if this system was just used to page out just Iowa Falls. Bryce Knudsen advised yes just stuff off of the Iowa Falls tower.

Ben Krause then advised that in the last meeting it was stated that we (the board) owns this system and we are replacing a system that we own. Bryce Knudsen advised yes.

Aaron Budwig then advised that he was not sure he was understanding this and asked what agencies can this piece of equipment page. Bryce Knudsen advised that the system pages Iowa Falls Fire, Iowa Falls Ambulance and the Hardin County Emergency Squad. Bryce Knudsen also advised that it runs our fire base which is county fire for the fire departments to talk on for communication in the county and our mutual aid frequency which is a state-wide frequency for mutual aid. Bryce Knudsen advised it is kind of a multi radio system combined into one and has several different frequencies in it verses just an individual radio.

Aaron Budwig then asked that with out this piece of equipment how would Iowa Falls Fire, AMR and E Squad along with the other things I had mentioned be paged if we did not have this. Bryce Knudsen advised they would have to be paged through the county.

Aaron Budwith then advised that he just understood a few minutes ago that Iowa Falls was doing simulcast paging. Bryce Knudsen advised that yes, but that was simulcast paging for the remainder of the county. Aaron Budwig then asked with the simulcast paging Iowa Falls Dispatch can not page Iowa Falls Fire, AMR and E Squad is that what you are saying. Bryce Knudsen advised that our simulcast just allows us to page out the county agencies because the county agencies operate off of at tower system.

Ben Krause asked if our radios were compatible with the rest of the county. Bryce Knudsen advised yes that is why we have to have a totally different system.

Aaron Budwig then advised that that does not sound consistent and he is just trying to understand because the Comm Center in Eldora can page out Iowa Falls Fire, Iowa Falls Fire and E Squad. Bryce Knudsen advised he was not sure exactly how Hardin County's System worked. Ben Krause asked if Hardin County contacted Iowa Falls to have them paged out and Bryce Knudsen advised no. Aaron Budwig then advised that it sounds like we don't only have redundancy but triple redundancy because he is not totally understanding the simulcast and he heard all of the paging and it said it was from Iowa Falls PD. Aaron Budwig advised if they are able to page through a simulcast, which he was not aware of, and now last month unless he understood incorrectly, he thought he had asked Chief Harken if this equipment could page out any agency in the county and can not page out Ackley and Eldora and if I understood you correctly it can only page out Iowa Falls Agencies. Bryce Knudsen advised he was correct.

Bryce Knudsen advised to hopefully clear a little bit of this up that on our radio screens in our dispatch center we have two separate screens for paging, we have Iowa Falls Paging which had Iowa Falls Fire, Iowa Falls Ambulance and Hardin County E Squad. Bryce Knudsen advised that when they go to simulcast paging, we have paging buttons for the rest of the county. Bryce Knudsen advised that with our paging system and that particular radio we could put a button for Alden, a button for Buckeye a button for Radcliffe and page them off of that however we do not have those buttons on our screen. Bryce Knudsen advised that the problem with that is is that the page would then go from our tower at Seaboard Foods to Alden, Radcliffe, Buckeye and is not going off of the County tower and by trying to do that you have two different paging systems trying to page the same pager and you run into the issue on whose paging system to we "tweek". Do we "tweek" Iowa Fall's so it come across a little bit clearer or do we "tweek" the simulcast side on Hardin County so it is a little bit clearer. Bryce Knudsen advised that is the problem when you have two different radio systems and try to intermingle two different radio systems you can run into some issues and that is why we have the simulcast paging for the remainder of the county and the Tip radio for what we use inside the city limits.

Brian Shiman then asked if this radio was purchased so that Iowa Falls could page its own entities. Bryce Knudsen advised yes. Brian Shiman advised he looks at that as an \$11,000 piece of equipment for Iowa Falls only hidden through the PSAP where I am asking for equipment for Ackley only on two computers, it is the same thing. Brian Shiman advised they are replacing a machine that dispatches just your things and when your dispatching Ackley you are switching over and using the County's and if the County one is broke you are not going to be dispatching anyone.

Bryce Knudsen advised yes, we are. Brian Shiman asked how. Bryce Knudsen advised because we have a separate simulcast system in our basement which connects to each individual tower. Bryce Knudsen advised that if their radio would go down at Hardin County or if their tower goes down and they can reach the center tower we are able to take over that paging in Iowa Falls.

Brian Shiman advised that was the confusion. Bryce Knudsen advised that we are not directly connected to the Sheriff's Office.

Pat Daggs asked if we would use the simulcast if we had to be come the back up. Bryce Knudsen advised yes. Pat Daggs advised that the radio we are talking about here is strictly for Iowa Falls only. Bryce Knudsen advised it is for Iowa Falls Fire, Iowa Falls Ambulance and Hardin County E Squad.

Dave McDaniel advised that something that needs to be kept in mind is that Iowa Falls Ambulance is covering Alden, Buckeye, over towards Ackley, Owasa so it is not just the city limits itself and it is covering the north west quadrant of the county.

Pat Daggs advised that she understands what he is saying but at the same time she could say she wants to dispatch out of Ackley because our Ambulance does cover quite a hell of a lot of territory so we want our own PSAP and we want you to pay for it because you are paying for Iowa Falls and all they are doing is paging themselves so let us have one and we will page our own. Dave McDaniel advised he would be more then happy to give them his. Dave McDaniel advised he is budgeting four hundred and some thousand dollars to run then dispatch center.

Pat Daggs then said do you see how I am comparing it. Dave McDaniel advised he did but you do not have a PSAP. Pat Daggs advised it was the same thing. Dave McDaniel advised it was not, you do not have a PSAP and as Ben Krause stated earlier that it is currently a 911 board owned equipment.

Pat Daggs advised that it is 911 equipment but does the 911 Board need to pay the expenses to replace something that is only being used by one entity.

Ben Krause advised he would like to ask one question that will influence his decision, you said that covers mutual aid and the problem right now is that the signal is too weak to get it out there. Ben Krause then asked if it would increase mutual aid distance. Pat Daggs then advised no because it does not have the tower because the tower is the thing right. Bryce Knudsen advised, no, and the problem is that since this is a multi-function radio and the paging side is where the issue is. Bryce Knudsen advised that there are several radios inside of this one radio and the paging side of the Tip radio is where we are having the problem and from what Electronic engineering says is that there is not enough gain to get the pages out and trip like it is supposed to do. Bryce Knudsen advised that that radio contains at least two other radio frequencies.

Pat Daggs asked when mutual aid is paged out how are you paging it out versus Eldora paging out mutual aid. Bryce Knudsen advised that mutual aid is the State Law Enforcement mutual aid which means if a State Trooper needs assistance from Iowa Falls, they call on mutual aid or if we need to get a hold of a state trooper, we call on mutual aid and it is a State mutual aid law frequency.

Pat Daggs advised if she understands this correctly, and I might not, Shiman you may have to help me. Pat Daggs asked if Brian Shiman is out on a call and needs a State Trooper, he can talk to the State Trooper because it is going through Eldora, but if he wants to talk to you guys it has to go through a different radio system and you have to call down to Eldora and say Ackley needs this.

Brian Shiman then advised that when he talks to Iowa Falls it goes through County to get switched over to them to be able to hear it on their channel because they got a completely different system. So if I go direct on Iowa Falls frequency I'm still piggybacking off of the county's frequency or through the simulcast or whatever allows me to get on that Iowa Falls channel.

Nick Whitmore advised that Ackley is part of the county's network.

Brian Shiman then advised that when we talk, we go through the county equipment to talk to Iowa Falls. If I need to talk to a Trooper, we use LEA most of the time but mutual aid we can all utilize as Bryce says. If they want to call a trooper, other than that they would have to call point to point to get a hold of State to have a Trooper be able to relay or have to go through the Sheriff's Office. I don't know if simulcast from Iowa Falls to the County you would have point to point LEA and that stuff.

Bryce Knudsen advised that simulcast is just the paging only. Simulcast doesn't include any of the other radio frequencies.

Brian Shiman then asked if a tornado hit ops here, how are we all going to talk on yours. How do we all talk to you guys because your radios are totally different.

Bryce Knudsen advised that we have a P25 County Radio in our system that we installed when the new radio system went in so we have communications with the Sheriff's Office, Ackley and Eldora. The only thing we piggyback off the county with is paging.

Aaron Budwig advised to keep on with what we are talking about here, last month I was told that the purchase of this radio would allow Iowa Falls Communications Center to page all emergency entities. Again, with the purchase of this will that happen through Iowa Falls, not the simulcasting, but through this.

Bryce Knudsen advised no. Aaron Budwig then advised that either he misheard or was misinformed. So again, to reiterate this paging system is only good for Iowa Falls entities, correct.

Bryce Knudsen advised correct, this particular radio.

Aaron Budwig advised that was all he needed to know. My next question is without approving this paging system how would Iowa Falls entities be alerted for response.

Bryce Knudsen advised we would have to transfer everything down to Eldora to have everything paged out.

Aaron Budwig asked how that transfer would occur. Bryce Knudsen advised that it depended on how it came in. If it was a 911 call then we would transfer it to Hardin County.

Aaron Budwig advised that would be similar to what happened a few weeks ago when they could not get a page out then the Sheriff's Office had to page it.

Bryce Knudsen advised yes.

Aaron Budwig advised that he heard that happen where they could not get a page out and the Sheriff's Office had to do the page. Is there a time delay because of that transfer?

Bryce Knudsen advised that yes there defiantly is a time delay.

Aaron Budwig asked, how much time?

Bryce Knudsen advised it all depends.

Pat Daggs then advised that that depends on if we try through your radio first. you are going to try what, three times to try and get it out first and if you can't then it is going to go to the County, so that is where your delay is.

Bryce Knudsen advised, yes.

Pat Daggs then asked if she was mistaken, because she had heard that we had Eldora paging our stuff out for a while recently.

Bryce Knudsen then advised that no we did not have Eldora paging our stuff out, I do not believe. Not to my knowledge. I was not ever informed that Eldora was paging anything out for use.

Dave McDaniel advised he was not aware of that.

Brian Shiman advised that basically you guys are going to have to buy it out of your budget to make it operate or this board has to buy that radio.

Ben Krause advised that this board already owns this radio.

Pat Daggs advised that they own it but it I shot.

Dave McDaniel advised that under that theory you own your laptops, but their shot.

Pat Daggs then advised that we are comparing the same thing, it is something for one entity, it's only going to help Ackley for their computers and it is only going to help Iowa Falls with the radios.

Ben Krause advised the County covered Mutual Aid as well, and you will be unable to access Mutual Aid without this piece of equipment. Bryce Knudsen advised yes. Ben Krause advised, there goes that redundancy and we just limited what we have incase that tower goes down.

Pat Daggs then advised so they really aren't totally redundant for us.

Ben Krause advised without that piece of equipment they will not be redundant so we would have to farm that piece out to another county. We will lose a backup situation if we do not replace this piece of equipment.

Nick Whitmore advised that the other thing he wanted to talk about briefly was back up systems in general. Right know the simulcast system comes off the main tower and the county is able to page every department in the county through that tower site. If something would happen to that tower site, our back up is the cell tower out by the secondary roads department here in Eldora. There backup would be themselves in Iowa Falls if something would happen. We would have to go into emergency mode and work together because we could only page things in the southern half of the county and they could only page things in the northern half of the county or have any radio reception and will have to go to the closest PSAP to get things in and out. If something happened to the main tower and that is a fear of mine and we are going to talk bout that when we bring something up later about the generator. If you want to talk about value, that is the value. If a tornado hits the main tower this county is screwed unless we have where we are operating off a cell tower and they are operating off a local tower and Iowa falls and Alden the same thing.

Pat Daggs then asked so in other words if that were to happen right know we still don't have total redundancy from Iowa Falls.

Nick Whitmore advised not without this piece of equipment.

Pat Daggs asked but you said with that they would not have the tower.

Nick Whitmore advised they would not have the main tower they would have the Iowa Falls tower.

Pat Daggs asked if they would only be able to page the upper part of the county.

Nick Whitmore advised that they should be able to hit everything.

Bryce Knudsen advised that the problem is and going back to answer Aaron's question in reference to the redundancy on this paging system. we can page every agency off of this particular radio that is down, but I believe if you remember a few weeks ago when we paged out Ackley Ambulance to the dentist office in Iowa Falls. I don't know if ay of you got that first page that came across. Pat Daggs advised they got about half of it. Bryce Knudsen advised that is kind of the problem by trying to combine the counties system with a totally different system. It can be done and the pages will come across the problem is is that you are going to get pages like what the county has been battling with here over the last several months of they may be garbled, they may sound like someone is in a box, they may have a different tone that comes across but it can be paged out via the TIP radio or this paging radio. Its not going to be a great page but you will for the most part get it. You are trying to match two systems that don't want to work together.

Brian Shiman asked why did they do that.

Bryce Knudsen and Dave McDaniel advised that was be for our time. Bryce Knudsen advised it would be nice if the county was all on the same radio system and had the same exact vendors but that is just not an option at this point and time and would be a lot of money to convert.

Brian Shiman then advised that most places just combine at that point because they can not afford it and just pile everything into one building.

Dave McDaniel advised we have to have redundancy somewhere.

Brian Shiman advised that they pick another county and pay \$20,000 to upgrade, like Grundy County or whatever, because it is a lot of money to change any of those counsels. I live on the north end of the county and expect the ambulance to get paged that's for sure.

Ben Krause moved to approve this, without it we don't have redundancy like we ar supposed to.

Randy Smuck seconded the motion.

Dave McDaniel asked if there was any further discussion.

Pat Daggs advised she thinks it needs to have further discussion because even though you don't have redundancy, we are one of the like only three counties in Iowa that have two PSAPS and they all have to rely on somebody else to do theirs. You have Franklin and you have Grundy. You have two counties that are very close if we have to have ... Ben Krause then advised you will lose \$32,000 a year and pay \$20,000.

Pat Daggs asked how much are we paying out know to support a second PSAP, a lot more then \$32,000. Ben Krause advised he did not think so.

Dave McDaniel advised that this board just pays for equipment. His budget to run my dispatch center is \$406,000 that I am budgeting for this year and Iowa Falls he thought Chief Harken told him it is upwards of \$300,000. So in comparison this board is responsible for a fraction, a very small percentage. A \$10,00 piece of equipment, that is not chump change, but in the grand scheme of things to run a PSAP we are shelling out $\frac{3}{4}$ of a million dollars in our budgets to fund it. If you want to get a page from Hampton to

Radcliffe or Marshalltown to Alden, we are not going to do it for \$20,000. I can assure you to make them redundant county wide it is going to be a significant amount of money.

Pat Daggs then advised that there's doesn't match ours at all.

Randy Smuck advised with this they can page us.

Nick Whitmore advised that theoretically the tower structure does take the most amount of funding because there is seven sites and the main tower. That is were a lot of money from this board is consumed is at the tower sites. We do not ask a lot for the Hardin County PSAP in fact I have been told we don't ask for nearly enough but we do from time to time and I can only speak for Hardin County. That's where the real money really goes is to maintaining the eight-tower structure that we have in the county for all of the agencies use.

Bryce Knudsen advised to answer Pat's question on how much are we going to spend to support two PSAP centers in Hardin County. The amount of money we have received from the Hardin County 911 Board this year as far as any type of operating expenses is give or take \$15,000, and probably 75% of that is maintenance agreements. That is maintenance agreements for our Global which is our RMS and every agency benefits. Iowa Falls, Hardin County, Ackley and Eldora for there RMS and Cad System. Mainstay which about \$2500 a year for our entire Com Center which is maintenance agreements for our computers, back up batteries, all the screens and everything inside the Comm center. So primarily about \$15,000 is what we will receive actually that was approved in this year's budget from the board.

Bryce Knudsen advised that a majority of the money that is spent by this board out of our budget goes for circuit costs (phone bills and phone lines), tower repair. going back in the figures that I have, this year Hardin County radio repair for the Sheriff's Office \$45,193 and that is if we do not spend another dime until July.

Nick Whitmore advised which is not going to be the case.

Bryce Knudsen advised we already have a \$10,000 spring cleaning that was just like the fall cleaning which after this type of a winter we are probably going to have a lot higher then a \$10,000 bill to repair anything that has been damaged from the winter snow and the storms that we are going to have. Of course, Hardin County also has the Global maintenance agreements. they also have maintenance agreements for their equipment inside the Comm Center as far as battery back ups and things like that. that's were the money from this 911 board goes. It does not go to fund our Comm Center. It goes to pay for maintenance agreements, it goes to pay for things such as battery backups, repairs, screens in the Comm Centers, tower repairs, radio repairs, paging repairs and things like that. It does not actually go to our agencies.

Aaron Budwig asked who was the main architect of our radio communications in Hardin County, who is the author or who is the gate keeper of it.

Nick Whitmore advised that his name was ... Aaron Budwig advised where he was going with this was, I am still confused because I am getting one month this information and you are trying to explain it to me know and I am listening to you and I have a good round knowledge of radio systems and communications and I cant speak for my collogues here but if I am a little bit confused I can imagine, not to minimize your education on radios, but where you are at. We do have a motion on the floor but I

think it would be very prudent to have this architect or this author or gate keeper to give us the schematic. I am not really understanding you need this to do the simulcast, this to do the mutual aid. I know all these different frequencies, I can give you the frequency numbers if you want them.

Nick Whitmore advised, to answer your question. When they did the tower project in 2010.

Dave McDaniel advised he did not have the knowledge of when they did the original project.

Nick Whitmore advised when they did the tower project it was under Sheriff Smith and I don't know who the Iowa Falls Chief was. Geo Comm was contracted to be the engineer for the entire project. I am talking about the tower, the simulcast, the direct paging and everything that was going to happen. That company came in, and I can't remember the guys name he takes a lot of blame and he has for over the years for this, and they did not listen or take anything into account anything from our local vendors that would be continuing this process. In this case Radio Communication who has been a long-time vendor and been with them in my other agency and he for 29 years. Iowa Falls is Electronic Engineering. Both of these places tried to have input into the nature of this system and how this system was going to work and that largely fell on very deaf ears. A lot of things that our vendors told that company about things that would not work. It went on, it happened and a lot of things need to be fixed and about four or five years ago when I took over for Hardin County, we had a major upgrade. You could not hear the pages and everybody was complaining about everything. Advantage came in and they tweaked everything and spent a considerable amount of time in here and they got things working pretty well. Part of that is we discovered that for years and years the system was severely neglected. Equipment that was in disrepair and need replaced. Dirty, filthy and they took pictures of everything out there on those sites. At that time, we decided to have spring and fall cleaning to stay on top of those maintenance issues and not letting it get behind. I think when I took over, I had five sites that were not in operation and no wonder my paging reception was terrible. It is expensive and the tower site I had Radio Communications all day today working on the issue between Union and Eldora. As far as the fine tuning and what goes on in the Iowa Falls PSAP I absolutely can't speak to, I have never operated in there and have only been in there once or twice. I can tell you how ours work. This equipment, I have spares of stuff in my office because it we have to have emergency stuff. Any typical piece of equipment is \$30,000 to \$40,000. It is just a big giant monster that is really hard to understand. If our normal system goes down like it did with Union recently then we have to switch to back up which is not simulcast anymore and it is direct paging. It is just a giant monster that has taken me all these years to understand and I bet I only have half of it right now to be honest with you.

Aaron Budwig advised that is the point I am making, we are asked to approve something and I don't feel I have all the information that I need to really understand, and shame on this commission for not taking more of an interest. I did ask to take tours of both Comm Centers with the board so we could have a better understanding but I was told that was not feasible.

Dave McDaniel advised Aaron that he was not told it wasn't feasible. Doing it as a mass board going through at one time is not feasible.

Aaron Budwig advised he was told it was not feasible to do it as a board.

Dave McDaniel advised if three or four of you want to come over at a time that's totally realistic but we can't take fifteen people through there.

Aaron Budwig advised you do have a motion on the floor but I would like to see more of a collaborative understanding. It was very helpful what you explained but it seems like my understanding was that the Sheriff's Office and the Iowa Falls Police Dept. was supposed to be a mirror image but I don't see this mirror image.

Nick Whitmore advised we are very different animals but we do the same thing.

Bryce Knudsen advised that when you talk about a mirror image there are a lot of things that are mirror image. Our 911 system is the same in each agency as far as how we operate, the viper system, the mapping system and things like that. Our RMS and Cade System is the same in each agency. Where we differ is the radio system. the thing is when this new system came in or when this new tower project took place, the problem we dealt with was the same problem we dealt with with our RMS. They were trying to microwave everything to Iowa Falls and there was not enough power, there was too much distance and not enough line of site to be able to make that work so we had to get our own RMS System in order to be functional as we were constantly going down. the radio systems were the same way. We can't microwave. It is a little difficult to understand, like Nick said, it is kind of a monster. It wasn't going to work to put Iowa Falls into the microwave system with Hardin County.

Aaron Budwig advised I hate to interrupt you, we have to move on, you mentioned a lot of acronyms and I did not understand half of what you just said. I don't know if the rest of you understand what we are talking about. I think at the end of the day I would like to see this commission again as I stated in the last two meetings have a strategic plan with goals and objectives to move forward with our program development. Nick has mentioned some of these different plans. I don't see the collaboration between Hardin County Comm Center and the Iowa Falls Comm Center because there just seems to be, you have two different vendors, two different radio systems. Do we have a strategic plan, do we have a long-term goal to be one vendor, to move towards that? I haven't heard that one bit and I have been on this commission for a year. That's why I have a difficulty to keep spending money when we don't have a long-range strategic plan to mitigate what we have just heard here. These two different monsters, these two different animals, two different vendors. So that is where I stand with it.

Dave McDaniel asked if there was any further discussion.

Dave McDaniel advised hearing none we have a motion and a second, let's do a roll call for this one.

Ackley – No, Alden - I, Buckeye nobody, Eldora – No, Hubbard – Yes, No rep from Iowa Falls, New Providence – No, Radcliffe – Yes, Union – No, County Sheriff – Yes, Hardin County – No.

Motion does not pass.

Item 9:

Discuss Increasing pager/radio grant offered by the Service Board.

Ben Krause advised that was his idea and over the last three weeks we have been talking about having this \$300,000. I am very against a big project of spending all that money spending, because like Nick said something could happen and we have a \$150,000 and we have no money. I also understand that a pager now is \$600 so a \$1000 does not buy much, a \$1000 does not help by \$12,000 worth of computers. I don't know if it is feasible since we already set the budget for this year, but maybe the

following year I would like to increase that to \$2500 to \$3000, along with putting a stipulation in there like any other grant, it's not just an application. For \$3000 I think people would be more than willing to make sure their inventories are updated so we have our radio communication inventory updated every year as long as they apply for that. The EMA is requesting for equipment updates and those forms must be done before you are allowed to have the grant. I think going from \$1000 to \$3000 or \$2500, whatever, would be more of an incentive. A \$1000 is a lot of money, but it is but it isn't. It is not going to buy a new truck radio, it will help. It would take two years, but you could get half of your computers paid for. \$3000 would be pretty good for truck radios or if a fire department want to buy four or five pagers because several went down. I know I'm looking to buy pagers and thankfully I don't have ten to buy but it would be nice if you are looking to redo all your pagers being able to do more than two at a time. I know Radcliffe Fire Department has twenty-four members so two at a time for twelve years, these pagers won't last twelve years. That would allow agencies to do things in a little bit bigger batch and a little bit bigger rotation. Probably will not be able to do it since we already fixed the budget, but maybe the following year we can increase that to \$2500 or \$3000.

Aaron Budwig asked if anyone knew what we did in 2016 to 2017 for grants.

Dave McDaniel advised we would have to go back and look

Aaron Budwig asked what was the maximum.

Dave McDaniel advised it was \$1000.

Aaron Budwig then asked what we paid out in 2018.

Bryce Knudsen advised he would have to look back in past records to find out.

Dave McDaniel asked how many agencies applied in the last year.

Bryce Knudsen advised last year I am not sure but this year we have had about five.

Aaron Budwig advised he would concur with what you are saying because I don't see if these entities haven't participated in the past are they going to participate in the future. I would concur, lets try it. we allocated how much money for grants?

Bryce Knudsen advised \$21000.

Aaron Budwig advised \$21,000 and we have used, we don't know exactly.

Bryce Knudsen advised we have used probably, I believe there has been five actual grants that have been approved this year.

Aaron Budwig advised to safeguard our selves we could issue the grants twice a year, in the third quarter and at the end of the fourth quarter and submit the grants and divvy it up if we get an influx. If there is only two agencies that submit then you get the whole \$3000 or whatever is decided to make it even. Prices of everything is going up.

(Unknown) When we applied for the grant, we were told at the end of the year whatever money wasn't used was back up for grabs, because you had a budget of \$23,000, I think. We were allowed to reapply to get more of the money for some new pagers.

Dave McDaniel asked so the agencies that didn't ever apply, we still had that money allocated for that. I think you might be right and that is what they have done in years past.

(Unknown) That was another reason I was here because that was the 2108 budget and we should be able to reapply for some of that left-over money.

Dave McDaniel advised if we allocated \$21,000 and we have had five apply we still have \$16,000 divvy up.

(Unknown) How much money was left over from last years.

Dave McDaniel advised we would have to look that up. In the ball park probably \$15,000 to \$16,000.

(Unable to understand)

Dave McDaniel advised anymore \$1000 in the technology world, pager and radios doesn't buy much.

B.J. Hoffman advised that he was asked to address the board tonight by Lance and Renee as we went through our budgeting for the county. About a year and a half ago we refinanced as a group, a bunch of projects including the tower project. Lance and Renee and all of use agree that with some of this windfall, it is really tax payer dollars and maybe using some of that to put towards that debt service, consolidated debt and pay that off. That just doesn't help individual agencies, that is spread across the whole county as taxpayers and as you sit here you are really fiscal agents of you localities. rather then letting that burn wholes in our pockets, they asked that I remind the commission that the tower project that was approved and financed through the county, maybe some of that money could be reallocated to pay off that debt and become debt free sooner then later. They asked me to bring that to you, just so you understand how that tower project was financed and refinanced about a year and a half ago in the county's major debt services refinancing. I wouldn't be doing my job if I did not express what Lance, Renee and I spoke about in our budget meetings.

Nick Whitmore advised that we have some (unable to determine) that the county owns, such as the tower structure itself, and the county also has insurance on the tower structure itself and this board has an insurance policy on a lot of equipment on the tower and equipment in the building, but the county carries the insurance on the tower structure itself and the buildings.

Aaron Budwig asked what the rest of the commission thought about Ben's idea on raising the grant.

Dave McDaniel advised we have several members on the board that are involved in fire and ems and know that a\$1000 isn't getting you very far.

B.J. Hoffman advised that it used to be even less like \$300 or \$400.

Dave McDaniel advised I'm totally in favor of us upping it we just need to make certain that ae are not at a lottery mentality where here's this money so lets blow through it. I certainly agree that we need to

consider upping it just because while \$1000 is helpful, it's not, I don't know any more if you can get two quality pagers for \$1000.

Ben Krause advised that the new Swiss Phones are just over \$600 a piece.

Union advised that they are working on getting their equipment inventory for the grant requests.

Dave McDaniel advised that is the incentive for the agencies if you are offering \$2000 instead of \$1000. I totally think we need to go down that road.

Aaron Budwig asked ben what he was thinking for a maximum.

Ben Krause advised that would be up to the board, but would not go over \$3000 and would even say budget \$30,000 instead of \$21,000. That's roughly half of our agencies or a third if you include the e squad and Sheriff's Office.

Dave McDaniel advised we would be a total of 23 entities if you included the P.D.'s.

Ben Krause advised that we would be pretty close to half if we would go to \$30,000. Send it out there and say there is \$30,000 in \$3000 grants. The first ten and maybe if they get it in 2018 may be not eligible, depending on if they all decide to do that and everybody sends in and we get twenty-three applications for \$3000 that would be a pretty significant chunk and would be three times what we were budgeting. One of the requirements would be you must send an updated communications inventory and an updated equipment inventory, and even an updated personal roster. those three requirements before you are awarded the grant. That would answer a lot of questions like were brought up. We need to have an inventory on radios, pagers, computers and everything. EMA they wanted to know what every fire department has.

Dave McDaniel asked at what point do we implement this. Is it the 19-20 budget?

Ben Krause advised that would be up to the board. We already set the budget for this year so maybe it would have to be the following year.

Dave McDaniel advised or we would have to amend. To have this discussion now and implement it eighteen months later, I don't think is reasonable. I would say July 1 because we just approved \$1000 for Ackley EMS and \$1000 for Steamboat and then turn around next month and go here is \$3000. I would look at July 1 and maybe an implementation and adjust accordingly and have a budget amendment into the 19-20 budget if necessary, and use allocated fund for upgrades would apply.

Aaron Budwig suggested to have two specific dates that the applications have to be in so you have plenty of time to get this in, instead of every month and every meeting. If we get twenty-three of them then we will say you are only getting \$1800.

Dave McDaniel advised to have two deadlines instead of twenty-three different services dropping them off monthly.

Aaron Budwig advised if you put that up for a motion I will second it.

Ben Krause asked if there was any other discussion.

Ben Krause then advised he makes said motion. Ben then asked if we had decided on \$2500 or \$30900

Aaron Budwig advised we have not spent all of the grant money so he suggests to go for the \$3000 with two specific dates, like October 15, you would have to have it in and only allocate out half of our offerings and then come around the first of the year then we have another set of applications. That way these agencies need to plan ahead.

Dave McDaniel advised that if we are going to look into the amendment, we are going to have to have an early January deadline in this next year's budget to get an amendment done, if the need would arise. We can't say April because we would not have enough time to get the amendment knocked out so we would want to make certain, like you are saying October 15 and a January 15.

Pat Daggs asked if we were still going to allow if you get close to the end of the year you can reapply and ask for that.

Dave McDaniel advised he did not think that anybody has done that in the past and we would have to back through the old minutes.

Pat Daggs asked if we could do that there to, if you go to the \$3000 and if we get close to the end of the year and you have extra sitting there that somebody can apply for.

Dave McDaniel advised that in years past it is carried over. we don't lose it back to the general fund, it goes into carry over. My guess would be that once we up it to \$3000 there is not going to be a lack of people coming to the table asking, which is fine we want to be able to help out all the services. I don't think we will have to worry about the end of the year.

(Unknown) asked what was the amount in this year's budget.

Aaron Budwig and Dave McDaniel advised \$21,000 and we stated the same in the 19-20 budget of \$21,000.

Ben Krause asked if we need to have specific dates set for the motion or leave that to the Chair and the Secretary.

Aaron Budwig advised our calendar year is July 1 to June 30. We will go half. I just think having two dates will make people stand at attention, get their application in instead of every month.

Dave McDaniel advised I personally would like to see us go October 1 and January 1. That way all request are in by that time so if we do have to get into an amendment we leave ourselves enough room and not having to deny someone because we are not able to get an amendment in. If we have those two dates and we put that word out to all the services. That gives them basically six months to get a request in.

Ben Krause advised he moved to increase the communications grant to \$3000 with application deadlines of October 1 and January 1 with the stipulation that they must provide an up to date communications inventory, an up to date equipment inventory before money is awarded.

B.J. Hoffman seconded the motion.

Dave McDaniel advised that we have a motion and a second, any further discussion.

Bryce Knudsen asked if we needed to add beginning on July 1.

Dave McDaniel then advised that was also his question.

Ben Krause then advised beginning July 1 of 2019.

Dave McDaniel asked B.J. Hoffman if he still had the second.

B.J. Hoffman advised that he did.

Dave McDaniel then asked if there was any further discussion.

Dave McDaniel then asked for a voice vote and motion carried.

Item 10:

Other business to come before the board. – Dave McDaniel

Nick Whitmore advised that the generator at the main tower is a Kohler diesel and has been blown up three times. Alden Diesel has been working on it regularly and costing quite a bit. I just found out it has blown up again today. I did not take time to figure how much we have spent. It is down more than it is up. My proposal moving forward it to go with a Generac generator like we did at the EMA building. A gas generator and very easy and simple and they don't break down. we have a local vendor that can put it in. What we need is going to cost 11,100 total. I believe that having Alden Diesel coming up there four or five times a year and being on our third if not forth rebuild, I think it is time to scrap that thing and move forward. We can't take any action on this tonight but I just want to bring it to your attention that that is something that will be talked about in the future. The generator out there at the main tower is very important and we can't have that go down because if that goes down everything goes down. We have been really running on skin and teeth over the last year or two trying to keep that thing up. I am not able to go out there every day to make sure the thing is running. I will be bringing that next month and will have a firm quote and presentation for it and hopefully get something done.

B.J. Hoffman asked if that would be L.P. out there.

Nick advised it would be natural gas. It was a part of the architect's original design. The stack runs up the side and it has been blown up I think three times. It is just not worth it anymore. they tried to move the stack, they have tried to put caps on it. It sits inside an enclosed structure so every time it fires up all these louvers have to open up and if that don't happen the next thing you know it crashes. It is not a good solution.

Pat Daggs then advised that we had tabled her computers to nine and we never took any action on the computers.

Ben Krause advised that was next. That is why I wanted to wait until after we increased it to \$3000. It might take a couple of years but there are your computers.

Ben Krause advised Nick that there is a company in Radcliffe, Short Circuit Electric, that specialize in stand alone generators.

Dave McDaniel then asked if there was any other business to come before the board.

Pat Daggs then advised that the computers just got tabled earlier.

Dave McDaniel then advised if you want \$3000 I would apply after July 1.

Pat Daggs advised it was brought before the board and it is something that I think we need to vote on, yes or no, just like everything else that was on the agenda. I still think, granted there is the \$3000. but we are still looking at it is going to take at least two years before we could purchase them so we would not be coming to you today if our computers did not need to be replaced. So replacing them two years down the road, it is going to be done before two years down the road.

(Unknown) you can apply twice so can you apply for \$3000 twice.

Dave Mcdaniel advised not it is per agency.

(Unknown) So if she gets \$3000 the first time on October 1 she can't apply again.

Dave McDaniel advised, no, it is each service can apply. those are just the two different application dates.

Ben Krause advised that those are the deadlines and if they don't get it in by October they have to wait until January.

Pat Daggs advised so if you look at it right now, we have only had five entities ask for money and that is only \$5000 out of the \$21,000 budgeted. It is not like the money isn't there, you don't have any other agencies that are asking. The way I understood it and the reason I brought up the computers is because when I was told about the grant, is that the grant was for radios. I remember Bryce saying that there is money out there and people just aren't bringing forward stuff that they need. So now I'm bring forward computers and I am being told that that fits under the \$1000 radio grant and that doesn't make since to me.

Dave McDaniel advised he was for the \$1000 grant. I'm not for \$12,000.

Bryce Knudsen advised that the \$1000 for the radios and the pagers was initially the way the grant was set up prior to me and I don't know if it was prior to Nick being involved in the 911 system. That was set up prior and I think it just was initially used for pagers and radios. I think as far as for other equipment because there are other pieces of equipment. You have mobile radios such as a mobile radio in a fire truck or a mobile radio in an ambulance that could possibly be an option as well if you didn't want to

buy a pager or you didn't want to buy a portable, can you use that money towards a mobile radio. Use the \$1000 towards a \$1500 mobile or use that \$1000 towards a laptop or something like that. That is something that the board is going to have to decide because it was left up to the board to approve the pagers, approve the portable if they wanted to approve that purchase.

Nick Whitmore advised that initially the board agreed to offer two products. One was a portable and one was a pager a Motorola TK2312. The application originally was you checked you wanted this many pagers or this many radios and it was approved or not approved and then I ordered them and delivered them. Since then it has kind of gotten away from that to a \$1000 for something communications wise. I don't blame you, but that was not the original intent anyway but that's where it is today.

Brian Shiman then asked the Police what kind of radio, because those are all fire stuff.

Bryce Knudsen advised that if we go back to prior meetings when this grant was discussed and how the application was going to be and what was going to be applied for in this year's budget. I believe it was decided that the board wasn't going to delegate what type of radio you could buy, because like Ackley has Motorola's and not everybody uses a Kenwood, so the board decided that they were not going to dictate what particular radio you were going to be able to buy. It was just fill out the proper paper work and present it before the board.

Aaron Budwig moved to accept the Ackley Police Departments request for funding up to a \$1000 for this current period. I guess at the end of the fiscal year if there is monies available then we can allow all entities or agencies to reapply for shortfalls of their funding. For now \$1000 like we have done for every other agency.

Terry Beard seconded the motion.

Dave McDaniel advised a motion by Budwig and a second by Beare. Any further discussion?

Pat Daggs advised she had a question. Looking at funding these, whether it was the full amount or partial amount whatever. We do not have this in the City budget to actually do this right now without having some of the funding or more then \$1000 of the funding. So my question is you guys approve this and we are not able to do this this year.

Brian Shiman advised that it would just go away then.

Dave McDaniel advised we would not do anything until you submitted us the invoice.

Pat Daggs advised ok. She did not want to get in trouble if you gave them the money and they did not buy the equipment because we would not be able to do that.

Aaron Budwig then advised that's why he was asking about some of our historical data on how much money has been left.

Dave McDaniel advised it has varied.

Aaron Budwig asked how many more months do we have of this current calendar year?

Bryce Knudsen advised four till June 30.

Aaron Budwig asked in good faith could we bump that up and then put a restriction on The Ackley Police Dept. that they can not submit any more applications. I want to be unified and fair to all the agencies.

(Unknown) Sheriff, you say the money rolls over if it is not used.

Dave McDaniel advised yes.

(Unknown) So if we budgeted \$21,000 this year and we have only used \$5000. Does that \$16,000 roll over.

Dave McDaniel advised that it rolls over to our carry over and then how we line item it or allocate it would be an added \$16,000 for next year and whatever we budgeted for next year.

(Unknown) So then we could be at \$37,000.

Dave McDaniel advised, realistically.

(Unknown) Realistically, and then if we gave out \$3000 per grant.

Brian Shiman asked what we carried over from last year or did they spend it all last year.

(Unknown) In the current year we are in know was there a carry over.

Bryce Knudsen advised it was never in the budget last year. It was something that was just started and it was never actually in the budget. There is not a budgeted item for the pager grants.

Dave McDaniel advised like B.J. said it was like \$300 and it just wasn't worth people doing it. we upped it to \$1000 and then we started getting some interest in it.

Ben Krause advised do the \$1000 right now and then come back like in May and if we have money left over we can discuss it a little more then.

B.J. asked if that gave them enough time to come back and purchase the equipment before the end of the fiscal year.

Pat Daggs advised that they would not be able to purchase it unless they had some type of fundraiser because it is not in our City budget.

Aaron Budwig advised that \$3000 is not even going to help you.

Pat Daggs advised they would have to purchase them before the end of this budget year or else it would roll over.

Ben Krause advised that we should have a pretty good idea in May. That gives you two months to get it in. It there is \$16,000 left over at the end we would (unable to understand) give you \$12,000.

Brian Shiman advised that would be against the rules because we are capped at \$3000.

Pat Daggs advised that this year we are capped at \$1000 until the next budget. we would get \$1000 anywhere up until June this year and next year it would change.

Nick Whitmore advised if you did it just right you could get \$4000.

Dave McDaniel asked if there was any further discussion.

Dave McDaniel then asked for a voice vote and motion carried.

Item 11:

Set next meeting date. – Dave McDaniel

Next meeting date March 19, 2019 at 6 p.m.

Motion – Ben Krause

Second – Randy Smuck

Voice vote, all ayes, carries.

Item 12:

Adjourn. – Dave McDaniel

Motion to adjourn – Pat Daggs

Second – Randy Smuck

Voice vote, all ayes, carries.