

**LAS ANIMAS COUNTY  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 25, 2024**

Board Members Present: Gabriel Moreno, Derek Navarette, Dave Bacharach, Mally Blecha, Mike Tihonovich, John Jenkins, Darren Kolakowski  
Other Attendees: Barbara Fisk, Ben Gladden, Joe Richards

**SUBJECT                      DISCUSSION**

Call to Order/Pledge    Meeting was called to order at 1:31pm by Chairperson Gabriel Moreno followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call                      There was a quorum of seven (7) board members.

Public Comments        The meeting, along with the budget hearing following, was announced on lac911.com wherein the public was directed to contact Barbara Fisk with requests to participate in the Public Comments section of this meeting. NO requests were received.

Approval of Minutes    **Motion:** Mike Tihonovich made a motion to accept the June 27, 2024 minutes, presented at the July 25, 2024 meeting for approval, with the following amendments referring to the May Financial Statement within the minutes.  
*9/26/2024 Amended from: \$642,863.83 as of May 310, 2024 to May 31, 2024.*  
*9/26/2024 Amended from: Total expenses for the month of May 1 were to May were*  
**Second:** Darren Kolakowski  
**Yea:** Gabriel Moreno, Derek Navarette, Dave Bacharach, Mally Blecha, Darren Kolakowski  
**Nay:** None  
**Abstain:** John Jenkins, Mike Tihonovich  
**The June 27, 2024 minutes were accepted as amended.**

Financial Report        The June 2024 Financial Statement was provided by Bernadette Cappellucci with the following statement, "Cash in the bank totaled \$713,654.33 as of June 30, 2024. Revenues collected in June were \$30,756.77 resulting in a net loss of \$1,750.18 for the month and a net income of \$96,756.85 for the year as of June 30, 2024."  
**Motion** was made by John Jenkins to approve the June 2024 Financial Statement as presented by Century Financial Group.  
**Second:** Mally Blecha  
**Yea:** Gabriel Moreno, Derek Navarette, Dave Bacharach, Mike Tihonovich, Mally Blecha, John Jenkins, Darren Kolakowski  
**Nay:** None  
**Abstain:** None  
**The June 2024 Financial Statement was approved as presented.**

Dispatch Report        Mandi Schlensker, Communications Director is working dispatch and unable to attend. The dispatch center is down one, possibly two, dispatchers but a couple of applicants are being interviewed. eForce continues to be a struggle. Calls to tech support are answered with, "why are you calling." Interfaces with ESO and Priority Dispatch, dropping calls and addresses, erasing calls, reversing times, notifying

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“enroute” for days continues. Dispatch is encouraged to continuing creating eForce incident work tickets, review eForce contract and research dispatch employee issue vs eForce.

**Unfinished Business** **eForce CAD Retention.** Law enforcement agencies continue to be concerned about access to their Records Management Systems within the eForce platform if CAD provider is changed from eForce. It is agreed that the CAD system with eForce is not sufficient for all agency’s needs. eForce CEO Cory Bowers attended both March and April, 2024 board meetings to assure the system would function correctly but the same issues are occurring with tech support not being helpful. It was agreed that estimates should be acquired from other companies to provide CAD services.

**New Business** Dave Bacharach stated the extender for the west side tower be removed for resale. The Exit 11 tower toward Weston up Highway 12 is working good. Bowen tower will be down between 9am-2pm on July 26, 2024.

**Accounts Payable** There were no extraordinary accounts payables requiring approvals.

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| 1. Barbara Fisk              | \$1,500.00   |
| 2. Century Link              | \$76.00 est. |
| 3. Century Link              | \$3,008.88   |
| 4. City of Trinidad          | \$8,333.33   |
| 5. Language Line             | \$7.38       |
| 6. Mountain States Financial | \$275.00     |
| 7. SECOM                     | \$82.34 est. |
| 8. SIP                       | \$146.81     |
| 9. The Computer Kernel       | \$880.00     |

**Miscellaneous** Joe Richards, Las Animas County Emergency Manager, asked the Board to consider a ballot referendum during the next voting cycle, to specify a portion of sales tax distribution go to emergency management. IPAWS was approved by BOCC and will roll out soon. He is working on grants for portable routers with generators (suitcase models).

**Next Meeting Date** The next meeting date is scheduled for August 22, 2024 at 1:30pm.

**Adjournment** **Motion** was made by John Jenkins to adjourn the meeting.  
**Second:** Darren Kolakowski  
**Yea:** Gabriel Moreno, Derek Navarette, Dave Bacharach, Mike Tihonovich, Mally Blecha, John Jenkins, Darren Kolakowski  
**Nay:** None  
**Abstain:** None  
**The meeting adjourned at 2:21pm.**

Minutes Approved by the Las Animas County Emergency Telephone Authority on July 25, 2024.

  
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Gabriel Moreno, Chairperson

September 26, 2024