MOBILE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Minutes of June 8, 2017

Commissioners Attending:
Trey Oliver Richard Landolt Chris McLean
Bob Adams Cynthia Coleman Jeff Reeves

Staff Attending:
Charlie McNichol, Director Jeff Hartley, Attorney
Hayley Clough, Administrative Assistant

The REGULAR board meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held June 8, 2017, at the Mobile County Communications Center.

Call to Order – Commissioner Oliver called the meeting to order at 08:00 A.M.

Approval of Minutes – Commissioner Adams called for a motion to approve the minutes from May 11, 2017, seconded by Commissioner Reeves, all approved.

Chairman Report – No Report

Treasurer Report – Commissioner Coleman made a motion to approve the May claims lists, seconded by Commissioner Oliver, all approved. Commissioner McLean made a motion to adopt the Budget-to-Actual, seconded by Commissioner Reeves, all approved. Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the transfer of $592,855 from the operating account to the debt service account, seconded by Commissioner Reeves, all approved. Commissioner Reeves made a motion to approve the adoption of an Expenditure of Funds Policy requiring Board approval for nonroutine transactions in excess of $50,000, Seconded by Commissioner Adams, all approved.

Personnel – Commissioner Oliver brought before the board a contract with board attorney, Mr. Hartley. Commissioner Oliver made a motion for Director McNichol to sign the contract, seconded by Commissioner Adams, all approved.

Planning – Director McNichol informed the board that Marvlis has prepared a quote for the predictive software. Another predicative software company, Decadon, will be showing a demo and then will prepare a quote. After both quotes have been received, the board will make a decision.

Communications – Nick Tusa provided the board with a monthly status update on the P-25 project. Radio audio testing is completed and had a good outcome. They are currently doing some signal testing in the county. Harris expanded the test from an original 500 areas to 1,300 to ensure there is not a weak signal. The cutover date will be the end of July or beginning of August. Ben Carr with Harris is managing all the radio testing and programming. Director McNichol included the response letter from Harris in the board packet. Harris had a quick response and is very motivated to get the project completed. Commissioner Reeves stated that the programming does take a while. Each radio takes approximately 30-40 minutes to program and there are 4,000 radios that need to be completed. Commissioner McLean was concerned with the coverage testing because of areas that have low signal or are further away from an antenna but had a great experience with the new P-25 system. Places with no to low coverage and a much better outcome on the new system. He encourages the agencies to complete whatever they need to do get the project completed. MFRD will do in building coverage with Jeya sometime soon to test signal strengths indoors. The no-cost change order from Harris has some through. Mr. Hartley has looked over it and sent it back to Harris for revision. When the new revisions are
added, the board would like a unanimous decision by Director McNichol, Tusa Consulting, and Mr. Hartley. Commissioner Adams made a motion to authorize Director McNichol to sign the new change order when received, seconded by Commissioner Reeves, all approved.

Emergency Medical – No Report

Building/Configuration – No Report

Board Attorney – No report

Director – Director McNichol presented to the board a grant request from Mobile Police Department for fully equipped wiring harnesses for vehicles in the city. MPD is having to purchase new MDT’s because their current ones are at end of life. Commissioner Reeves made a motion to approve the grant, seconded by Commissioner Landolt, all approved.

Director McNichol included in the board packet a letter from Eichold-Mertz Magnet School thanking MCCD, MPD, and MFRD for the wonderful field trip they had with us on May 16.

Old Business – No Report

New Business – Commissioner Oliver mentioned that he has information on a lawsuit and the board needs to go into Executive Session. The session should last no longer than 15 minutes once started and all other can be concluded before the start of the session. Mr. Hartley set forth provisions and reasons for the Executive Session. Commissioner Adams made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner McLean, all approved. Only Board Members, the Board Attorney, and the Director attended the Executive Session. The regular board meeting was adjourned prior to Executive Session.

Roll call taken, all in favor:  
Commissioner Oliver  
Commissioner Coleman  
Commissioner Landolt  
Commissioner Reeves  
Commissioner Adams  
Commissioner McLean

Announcement – Next board meeting to be held July 13, 2017

Adjournment – Commissioner Oliver made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Adams, all approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 A.M. Executive Session was adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Stephen Bowden, Chairman

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Hayley Clough, Recording Secretary