

**ALLEN COUNTY 9-1-1 GOVERNING BOARD
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2009**

Members present: Sheriff Sam Crish, Chief Greg Garlock, Assistant Chief Bob Hutchinson, Director Greg Berquist, Chairman Russ Decker and 911 Coordinator, Scott Fessler.

Members absent: Chief Mike Stout, Chief Mark Heffner, Lt. Pat Gehrisch, and Trustee Paul Basinger.

Also attending: Chief Deputy Jim Everett, Lt. Matt Albright, and the news media.

Chairman Decker called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. and declared that a quorum was present.

After reviewing the June 9, 2009 meeting minutes, a motion was made by Director Berquist, seconded by Chief Hutchinson to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Under Old Business a brief discussion was held on the progress of the PSIC / 800 MHz project. All equipment is now here, training and installation is underway.

Under New Business: Scott Fessler presented a proposal from Embarq for software upgrades at all PSAPs to improve call management and to repair an "open mic" issue. Cost of the upgrades are: \$20,102.09 for the county location and \$16,017.85 for the city PSAPs. Motion by Sheriff Crish, seconded by Director Berquist to recommend the upgrades to the Board of Commissioners to be funded out of the PUCO Wireless Fund. Motion passed.

Coordinator Fessler also proposed entering into an agreement with CTS Language Link for interpreter service for non-English speaking callers on 9-1-1. Cost of the service is at a rate of \$1.35 per minute. A motion was made by Director Berquist, seconded by Chief Hutchinson to recommend contracting with CTS Language Link to the Board of Commissioners. Motion passed.

Chairman Decker asked that the December meeting be pushed back one week to December 15th due a scheduling conflict. Board members had no objection.

With no further business to come before the Board, Chief Hutchinson moved for adjournment, seconded by Sheriff Crish. Meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.