

**MISSISSIPPI WIRELESS COMMUNICATION COMMISSION**

March 7, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Place: Woolfolk Building, Room 145, 501 North West Street, Jackson, MS

<b>Commission Members Present:</b>	
MS Department of Transportation	Huff, Willie (Chairman)
MS Department of Wildlife Fisheries and Parks	Bolden, Michael (Vice-Chairman)
MS Department of Information Technology Services	Blocker, Michele
MS National Guard	Causey, Lt. Col. Ray
MS Department of Public Safety	Davis, Mandy
MS Municipal League	Girod, Arty
MS Association of Supervisors	Gray, Steve
MS Association of Fire Chiefs	Lariviere, Tom
MS Highway Safety Patrol	Loper, Don
MS Department of Corrections	McAfee, Audrey
MS Department of Emergency Management	Michel, Greg
MS Department of Environmental Quality	Sanders, Chris
MS Department of Health	Vaughn, Wayne
MS Association of Police Chiefs	Waggener, Perry
MS Office of Homeland Security	Williams, Jenny

Chairman Willie Huff called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM and welcomed everyone. Chairman Huff then called for the review of the February 7, 2019 minutes. Mr. Greg Michel made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Don Loper, and the motion carried with none opposed.

Ms. Vicki Helfrich then provided the MSWIN Project Update for February 2019. She reported information on special event talk groups assigned, radios loaned out, activities the WCC staff participated in during the month, the number of current MSWIN users, the top ten (10) state agencies/number of devices by system use, and the top ten (10) Local /other agencies/number of devices by system use.

Mr. Bill Buffington provided an update on the MSWIN build-out status. Mr. Buffington reported the microwave installation upgrade is complete and acceptance testing will be completed soon at the Oxford tower site; due diligence is in process with preliminary submission to FEMA for the Canton tower site; as well as inspections of facilities and tower mapping are continuing at MSWIN tower sites on behalf of FirstNet/AT&T and T-Mobile.

Ms. Helfrich gave an update on the contract status. Ms. Helfrich had no changes to report.

Ms. Helfrich then gave an update to the FY20 Budget Request. The FY19 (current year) WCC deficit request of \$2.6M is currently included in House Bill #1667 awaiting approval. The FY20 Appropriation is included in Senate Bill #3052 for approximately \$8M and 10 PINs. The appropriation is \$2.7M short of the WCC's budgetary needs for FY20. Staff met with Chairman Read and met with the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee last month in efforts for the WCC to be fully funded at \$10.7M. Ms. Helfrich asked for any questions.

Chairman Huff called for the report of the Procurement Committee. Chairman Waggener had nothing to report.

Chairman Huff called for the report of the Governance/Interoperability Committee. Chairman Tom Lariviere had nothing to report.

Chairman Huff called for approval of expenditures. Ms. Michele Blocker provided the current month's FY19 financial report through February 28th including operating expenses, deficit funding, grant funding, and program income as provided on the WCC Detail of Monthly Expenses and the WCC Activity reports.

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Chairman Huff called for any discussion. With no further discussion, Mr. Waggener made a motion to approve the monthly expenditures, seconded by Mr. Greg Michel, and the motion carried with none opposed.

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Huff announced that the next monthly meeting will be April 4, 2019, 1:30 PM, in Room 145 of the Woolfolk Building at 501 North West Street, Jackson, MS. Chairman Huff entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Wayne Vaughn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Greg Michel and the motion carried with none opposed. The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:58 PM.