

FUNDING FOR NEXT GENERATION 911 UPGRADES

WHEREAS, modernizing Wisconsin's 911 system has been a priority for local governments, Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs), law enforcement and the telecommunications industry since the early 2000s; and

WHEREAS, the 2017-2019 state biennial budget provided funding for creation of a statewide emergency services IP network (ESInet), which is the first step in the transition to a digital Next Generation 911 (NG911) system; and

WHEREAS, a NG911 system utilizes advancements in technology to improve communication with 911 operators and provides greater efficiency in assisting individuals in crisis; and

WHEREAS, once the ESInet is operational, local 911 centers (PSAPs) will require NG911 capable equipment to connect to the digital systems; and

WHEREAS, the average cost for the necessary equipment upgrades will exceed \$250,000 per county in addition to ongoing maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, while the state has provided grant funding for counties in the past to upgrade local PSAPs, state funding has not existed in over a decade; and

WHEREAS, the state currently has a fund – the Police and Fire Protection Fee- whose original intent was to fund county PSAP upgrades; and

WHEREAS, revenue from the Police and Fire Protection Fee is deposited in the state's general fund and has never been utilized for its intended purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Crawford County does hereby urge the Governor and Wisconsin State Legislature to allocate \$7 million annually for counties to upgrade local 911 centers to begin the NG911 transition; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the \$7 million for county PSAP upgrades should be funded through the existing Police and Fire Protection Fee.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2018.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Doreen J. Sts
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COUNTY BOARD AGENDA
CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
December 18, 2018– 10:00 a.m.
Crawford County Administration Building – Room 236

- A. Call to order and roll call.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Opening remarks from County Board Chairman.
- D. Verification of posting of the meeting.
- E. Approval of minutes of the preceding meeting.
- F. Oath of Office/Election of Officers/Appointments.
- G. Recognitions and Appearances.
 - 1. Appearance of Community Fund representatives re: grant presentations.**
- H. Presentation of petitions and proclamations.
- I. Presentation of resolutions.
 - 1. Resolution Regarding County Highway Maintenance During the Calendar Year 2019.**
 - 2. Resolution Regarding the Cardinal-Hickory Creek Proposal and Consideration of Alternatives.**
 - *3. Funding for Next Generation 911 Upgrades.**
 - 4. Resolution Relating to County Board Proceedings.**
- J. Presentation of ordinances.
 - 1. Ordinance Amending, Retitling, Renumbering, Creating and Repealing and Recreating Portions of Chapter 16 of the Crawford County Code of Ordinances Regarding Shoreland-Wetland and Zoning Areas, Vegetative Buffers, Illegal Structures and Fees.**
- K. Presentation of memorials.
- L. Reports of standing committees.
 - 1. Committee reports.**
- M. Reports of special committees.
- N. Presentation of motions.
- O. Communications to the Board.
- P. New business.
 - 1. Update on delinquent tax sale properties.**
- Q. Department reports.
- R. Miscellaneous.
 - 1. Damage by dogs claim.**
- S. Public comment.
- T. Adjournment.

JANET L. GEISLER
Crawford County Clerk

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The Community Fund is inviting you to attend a reception at the conclusion of the County Board meeting.