

Weber Area Dispatch 911 and Emergency Services District
Administrative Control Board
Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2025

Board Members in Attendance: Russell Porter, Robert Dandoy, Leonard Call, Gage Froerer, James Harvey, and Richard Sorensen

Excused Board Members: Benjamin Nadolski

Additional Attendees: Executive Director Kevin Rose, Deputy Director Scott Freitag, District Attorney Bryan Baron, Deputy Chief Jared Taylor, and Office Manager Kathy Stokes

1. Welcome – Russ Porter, Chairman

2. Public Comment: None

3. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of minutes from Weber Area Dispatch 911 and Emergency Services District Administrative Control Board meetings on December 3, 2024

The motion to approve the minutes from Weber Area Dispatch 911 and Emergency Services District Administrative Control Board meetings on December 3, 2024, was made by Robert Dandoy. James Harvey made the second motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. Action Items:

- a. Board Up Dispatch Agreement: All the fire departments work with Ogden City to create a list of Board Up companies to come out to fires. Ogden listed an RFP and created a new list of vendors. Bryan has updated the agreement to include updated language and requirements of State law regarding the use of personal information. This is an agreement between us and the six new companies that are on the rotation.

The motion to approve the Board Up Dispatch Agreement was made by Richard Sorensen. Robert Dandoy made the second motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

5. Chairman's Report –Russ Porter, Chairman: There were a couple of big incidents this last week. The fire across the street and the incident at Glassman Pond. We appreciate all the good work here.

6. Director's Report – Kevin Rose, Executive Director: The December Incident of the Month was the Fatal DUI Auto Pedestrian accident that occurred on December 27th. In the late afternoon of December 27, 2024, there was an incident that highlighted the critical role of

dispatchers. The situation began with two calls from Ogden Regional Medical Center about a male who had left against medical advice after being brought in for alcohol treatment. Billy and Alicia quickly created calls with detailed information, including the suspect's name, date of birth, address, vehicle description, and direction of travel. On the county channel, Josh promptly alerted units and coordinated responses as reports came in about hit-and-run accidents caused by the suspect at the hospital parking lot and nearby areas. Three minutes after the initial calls, Shiloh took a report of a reckless driver near 40th and Washington. The description matched the suspect vehicle. Jordan also received a call about the same vehicle, which provided the license plate number and continuous updates from a caller following the suspect. Sage efficiently ran and attached vehicle and owner information to the call, ensuring officers had vital details. Around this time, Rachael took a call about another collision involving the suspect vehicle, further confirming its path of destruction. Shortly thereafter, Savannah handled a call from a victim at 42nd and Harrison who had been rear-ended by the suspect vehicle. Her caller, along with Jordan's, provided crucial updates about the suspect's movements. An off-duty firefighter involved in the accident provided additional details, including signs of intoxication. As the suspect vehicle continued its reckless journey, a pursuit was initiated but quickly terminated for safety reasons. Moments later, calls flooded in reporting a devastating three-car collision at 20th and Harrison, where a pedestrian had been critically injured. Despite the swift medical response, the pedestrian succumbed to his injuries. Marina, Shiloh, Jordan, Shaylie, Rachael, Heather, and Savannah all managed incoming calls, relaying critical information to responders. The incident culminated with a final crash at Canyon and Harrison. Callers reported the suspect vehicle had caused another accident, and officers quickly took the suspect driver into custody. This complex and tragic series of events showcased the exceptional coordination and teamwork of every dispatcher working that day. Each call taker and radio dispatcher played a crucial role in tracking the suspect's path, relaying vital information, and supporting responding units. This incident exemplifies the importance of collaboration in our line of work. The professionalism, quick thinking, and dedication of the Weber Dispatch team ensured that critical information was relayed efficiently and that responders were equipped to handle the unfolding events. Great work, team! Your efforts highlight the strength and unity required to handle such challenging situations. It has been a busy month this month. At the time of year, we usually experience a lower number of calls. There have been several incidents this month that have been stressful and a lot of work for our dispatchers who have coordinated and done a terrific job.

Legislative update: We are watching two bills that could impact us. The first is HB40, Representative Wilcox. This is an amendment to the School Safety Bills. There are language changes that require that the pendent alarms that the teachers are required to carry in each classroom directly link with the 911 Center. While that may seem like a good idea at face value, we have some concerns especially with the number of different venders we would be required to interface with from the school districts and all the charter schools. He spoke with Representative Wilcox who recognizes that challenge and is committed to updating that to do a State contract and try to narrow it down to two or three. That would be easier for us to connect with our systems, so we don't have to manually monitor these. We are grateful that he is in Weber County and has been great to work with. The second bill is HB150. Each year PSAPs that meet the minimum standards have been eligible for the UCA carrot money. We have been very fortunate the last couple of years in getting the maximum amount,

because the large PSAPs have not qualified. One of the reasons for that is that it has required that all PSAPs in the County must qualify for any in the County to be eligible. The reason for that was to limit the number of 911 transfers within the County. This bill will remove that qualification. He doesn't think this will go anywhere. This is Senator Harpers "baby" and he is not in favor of this. We will be watching these two, and any others that may impact us.

Personnel Update: Since our last meeting we have had one dispatcher resign. She had come from an Air Ambulance Company and received a job offer to return for a lot more money. However, we have hired back a former employee who resigned about 6 months ago. We are also evaluating two candidates that have put in for a lateral position.

7. 2025 Budget Report – Kevin Rose, Executive Director: There is not much to discuss this early in 2025. The 2024 Budget has not been finalized. In revenue the 911 surcharge is always three months behind, so we won't have final figures until March. We should also receive additional property tax funds for 2024. In expenditure we should be well under budget when it is all finalized. We will invite Scott Park to our April meeting to go over our final budget and review our outlook.
8. Next Meeting February 25, 2025. The motion to adjourn was made by Gage Froerer. Robert Dandoy made the second motion. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Stokes

Director: _____



Date: _____

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