



STATEWIDE ONE-CALL NOTIFICATION CENTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 04/04/2024
APPROVED

LOCATION:

Southeast Community College Continuing Education Center
301 S 68th St Place, Room 302
Lincoln, NE

Committee Meetings: 9:00 AM

Board Meeting 10:00 AM

1. Call Meeting to Order – 10:00 AM

- 1.1. **Housekeeping** – Nathan Stewart spoke.
- 1.2. **Meeting Notice** - Nathan Stewart spoke.
- 1.3. **Announcements**—The meeting notes were published in the Lincoln Journal Star on March 25, 2024, and posted to the Nebraska 811 website on the same day.

2. Roll Call

- 2.1. **Voting members present** – Jerry Augustyn, John Buckley, Linda Costello, Chris Jacobsen, Ed Jarrett, Brandon Jones, Lance Loschen, Chad Roberts, Steve Slezak, Nathan Stewart, Scott Barry, Andy Hartman, Todd Kuntson, Rick Melcher.
- 2.2. **Voting members absent** – BJ Woehler, Dan Maschka, and Tim Loberg
- 2.3. **Other Present**
 - Attorney General Office – Ken Yoho
 - State Fire Marshals Office – Regina Shields, David Levering, Scott Cordes, and Kevin Bumgardner.
 - OCC Staff – Matt Ruddo, Chris Winters, Jill Geyer
 - Public Attendance – Heather Gawon (Lumen), Amy Mallgrave (Lumen), Tim Bivens (USIC), Gerald Johnson (USIC), Preston Sheets (Nebraska Curb & Fence)

3. Introductions – there were no introductions.

4. Approval of Meeting Agenda

- 4.1. **Motion Approve:** Brandon Jones **Second:** Lance Loschen
 - **Voting Yes** - Jerry Augustyn, John Buckley, Linda Costello, Chris Jacobsen, Ed Jarrett, Brandon Jones, Lance Loschen, Chad Roberts, Steve Slezak, Nathan Stewart, Scott Barry, Andy Hartman, Todd Kuntson, Rick Melcher.
 - **Voting No** - none
 - **Voting Members Absent** - BJ Woehler, Dan Maschka, and Tim Loberg

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- 5.1. **Motion Approve:** Chris Jacobsen **Second:** Chad Roberts
 - **Voting Yes** - Jerry Augustyn, John Buckley, Linda Costello, Chris Jacobsen, Ed Jarrett, Brandon Jones, Lance Loschen, Chad Roberts, Steve Slezak, Nathan Stewart, Scott Barry, Andy Hartman, Todd Kuntson, Rick Melcher.
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6. Public Comment –

- 6.1. Preston Sheets (Nebraska Curb & Fence) discussed the response time for USIC to locate his tickets. He says the late locates and damages caused his company monetary and safety issues. USIC was present, and they will reach out to Preston.

7. Committee Reports

- 7.1. **Policy Committee** (Steve Slezak) – Mentioned that there was a Webex Policy Committee meeting. They discussed the Records and Information Management Plan. We decided to sit down with the SFM office, work out some details, and fine-tune the document. Then, we can bring it to the committee for a vote.
- 7.2. **Legislature Committee** (Andy Hartman)—Andy Hartman stated that the committee would have more to discuss during Old Business. There is nothing to discuss currently with this committee.
- 7.3. **Advertising Committee** (Linda Costello)—The committee met via Webex with Husker Sports. This topic will be discussed further during Advertising Outreach. It was mentioned that the contract with Husker Sports would cost more this year, but NE 811 will get more exposure as a result. A question was asked about participation in the committee. Linda stated that out of the 11 on the committee, five to seven board members usually participate in every meeting.
- 7.4. **By-Laws Committee** (Chris Jacobsen) – No report

8. Damage Prevention Resource Center

- 8.1. **DPRC Status Report** (Chris Winters)—Tyler reviewed the OCC ticket report (see report). The main point is that ticket volume is up 16.7% for the year. Relevant updates: The OCC GIS team has updated parcels and roads for various Nebraska cities and counties. They are preparing for a statewide GIS update. They also add a ‘Request Cancel’ feature to the 811 system.
- 8.2. **Advertising/Education/Outreach** (Jill Geyer)— (See budget) Jill discussed several topics on public outreach and how the Safety Summit was a success. Attendance was up, and the feedback was good. John Buckley suggested getting a better demographic from the attendees when they fill out the registration form online. There was also a conversation about getting more of the Spanish-speaking community at the Safety Summit. However, Jill mainly spoke to Husker Sports advertising. She talked about the three different packages offered to NE 811. We reviewed them in detail and discussed the pros and cons of each.

Motion To Approve: Rick Melcher moved, and Lance Loschen seconded that a new three-year contract (B-2) with Husker Sports advertising be approved and accepted.

- **Voting Yes** - Jerry Augustyn, John Buckley, Linda Costello, Chris Jacobsen, Ed Jarrett, Brandon Jones, Lance Loschen, Chad Roberts, Steve Slezak, Nathan Stewart, Scott Barry, Andy Hartman, Todd Kuntson, Rick Melcher.
- **Voting No** - none

Voting Members Absent - BJ Woehler, Dan Maschka, and Tim Loberg

- 8.3. **One Call Concepts** (Matt Ruddo) – Matt talked about how high the ITIC percentage is. He is excited to see it that high. He discussed the coming CGA conference and the Users Group in September. A question was asked about contact information for the Locating Company getting added to the ticket. Matt explained that other states do that, but it would be a matter for the board to discuss and approve. Nate asked to make a note of the question to be discussed in the policy committee.

9. Treasurer Report and Approval (Linda Costello)—Please refer to the report. Linda Costello has officially taken over as Treasurer, but accounts still need to be changed.



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- **Voting No** - none
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10. State Fire Marshal's Report

- 10.1. **Chief Deputy Report** (David Levering) – David gave an update on LB 1069.
- 10.2. **Damage Prevention Deputy Report** (Kevin Bumgardner) – He continues to do outreach with the new statutes.
- 10.3. **Legal Counsel Report** (Regina Shields)—Regina officially announced that Todd Knutson had resigned from his position on the One Call NE 811 Board of Directors. She said she would review applications for the open positions on the Board and asked people to spread the word that a position was open so it could be filled as soon as possible. Two positions will need to be filled. She also discussed details on the new damage committee being formed and established.

11. Attorney General's Report (Ken Yoho) – Nothing to report.

12. Old Business –

- 12.1. There is a question and discussion about the need for a stand-alone Legislative Committee (LC). There was also talk about having the LC have a welcome meeting with the new Nebraska Senators so they can be talked to about NE811, the purpose of the board, and the laws. There will be a closed discussion with Andy Hartmann and Nate Stewart. The committee will stay intact. The size of some of the committees was also brought up. No more than 50% of the board members can be on one committee. Some of the committees will need to be trimmed down.
- 12.2. The NDOT has been asking questions (about cost) about becoming a stakeholder on the NE811 board. Everyone feels that it is important for the NDOT to be a stakeholder.

13. New Business

- 13.1. **No New Business**

14. Closing Comments from the Board President (Nathan Stewart) – no closing comments

Next meeting – Crooked Creek Golf Club. The **date** will be July 17, 2024

15. Adjournment – occurred at 11:47 PM

- 15.1. **Motion Approve:** Chad Roberts **Second:** Scott Barry