PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

FEBRUARY 11, 2009 – 3:30 P.M.

Present: Chairman Wormuth; Supervisors Connelly, Grattidge, Jenkins, Rowland, Wright, Southworth, Wood, and Sausville; David Wickerham, County Administrator; Paul Lent, Ed Tremblay, Emergency Services; Art Hunsinger, Fire Advisory Board; Wayne Redick, Albany Communications; Britta Degenshein, Motorola; Denny Finneran, League of Women Voters; Press.

Chairman Wormuth called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

Mr. Lent said that bids were sent out in December with regard to pagers. In the 2009 budget there was an allocation for an upgrade for the Fire Service Pagers throughout the county. There were three bids with the lowest bid from Motorola, Inc., at \$32,890. An estimate has been given of 1,700 pagers throughout the county.

Mr. Lent requested a resolution authorizing the purchase of 1,700 pagers at a cost of \$559,130. Included in the package is one year of maintenance. Departments will then have the option at the end of the year to move into their own maintenance service at their own cost. They know what the cost is up front, at \$40 per pager for the second and third years. This is the price that Motorola has agreed to extend to all agencies.

Mr. Connors asked what the cost would be to upgrade a second band. Mr. Lent said a price has been established by Motorola that if a department chooses to have a second frequency it would be at a cost of \$35 a pager.

Mrs. Wormuth said that Motorola would need to know that when the pagers are ordered because it is not an upgrade that they can add afterwards.

Mr. Grattidge asked how the pagers would be distributed? Mr. Lent said they would be distributed geographically, with a few hundred at a time. The time frame from production to delivery will be April through July.

A motion was made by Mr. Grattidge, seconded by Mr. Connors to approve a resolution authorizing the Chairman to purchase 1,700 pagers at cost of \$559,130. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Grattidge, seconded by Mr. Connors the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Sansom

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Mr. Lent said that bids were sent out in December with regard to pagers. In the 2009 budget there was an allocation for an upgrade for the Fire Service Pagers throughout the county. There were three bids with the lowest bid from Motorola, Inc., at \$328.90.