

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GEORGIA EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019

10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

GEORGIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND HOMELAND SECURITY AGENCY
TRAINING ROOM

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Cheryl Greathouse, Chairperson
Billy Hancock, Vice Chairperson
William Wright, Secretary
Col. Mark McDonough
Any Oneacre
Greg Whitaker
Ted Wynn
Alex Lee
Peter Olson
Billy Grogan

Board Members Absent:

Kevin Curtin
Steve Nichols
Michael Wall

The Georgia Emergency Communications Authority held the board meeting on October 8, 2019 at the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency (GEMA/HS) Headquarters. A List of Attendees, an Agenda, committee assignments, and Executive Director's presentation are attached hereto and made official parts of these minutes as Attachments #1, #2, #3, and #4 Cheryl Greathouse the Chairperson of the Georgia Emergency Communications Authority called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

All board members are present except Curtin from AT&T, Chief Steve Nichols with Banks County, and Michael Wall with Comcast.

Chairperson Greathouse welcomed everyone to the GEMA/HS Headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia.

Roll Call

Approval of the Minutes:

Michael Nix presented the minutes of the June 11, 2019 meeting for discussion and approval. Chairperson Greathouse asked for a motion for the approval of the minutes; Colonel Mark McDonough made a motion to approve the minutes. Peter Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Michael Nix presented the minutes of the August 22, 2019 workshop for discussion and approval. Chairperson Greathouse asked for a motion for the approval of the minutes; Ted Wynn

made a motion to approve the minutes. Sheriff Billy Hancock seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Update

Michael Nix provided an update on the Georgia Emergency Communications Authority's (GECA) current projects.

New Business

Chairperson Cheryl Greathouse opened up the floor for new business.

Michael Nix opened up the floor for nominations for Chairperson. Greg Whitaker made a motion to nominate Cheryl Greathouse, Ted Wynn seconded the nomination. The motion passed unanimously. Michael Nix opened up the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson. Col. Mark McDonough made a motion to nominate John McDonough, Ted Wynn seconded the nomination. The motion passed unanimously. Michael Nix opened up the floor for nomination for Secretary. Ted Wynn made a motion to nominate William Wright, and Sheriff Billy Hancock seconded the nomination. The motion passed unanimously.

Michael Nix reviewed the Committee and Working Group Assignments for the Board and the Advisory Panel. The committee assignments will be revisited next September along with the Board Officer Elections. He also noted that Daniel Dunlap, Director, Augusta-Richmond 911 Center will serve as the Area 3 representative on the 911 Advisory Panel.

Resolution #2019-10-01: Resolution Approving the Strategic Plan for GECA

Michael Nix presented the Strategic Plan for discussion and approval. Chairperson Greathouse asked for a motion for the approval of Resolution 2019-10-01; Col. Mark McDonough made a motion to approve the resolution. Sheriff Billy Hancock seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution #2019-10-02: Resolution Authorizing Contract with a NG911 Consulting Firm

Michael Nix presented the resolution with a proposed amendment regarding the procurement process. Chairperson Greathouse asked for a motion for the approval of Resolution #2019-10-02; Peter Olson made a motion to approve the resolution as amended. William Wright seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution #2019-10-03: Resolution Authorizing Contract with Georgia Geospatial Information Office

Michael Nix presented the resolution to enter into a contract with the Georgia Geospatial Information Office to perform GIS duties as outlined in the 911 Grant Plan. Chairperson Greathouse asked for a motion for the approval of Resolution #2019-10-03; Greg Whitaker made a motion to approve the resolution. Sheriff Billy Hancock seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution #2019-10-04: Resolution Authorizing Contract with Georgia Public Safety Training Center

Michael Nix presented the resolution to enter into a contract with the Georgia Public Safety Training center to perform training duties as outlined in the 911 Grant Plan. Vice Chairperson Hancock asked for a motion for the approval of Resolution #2019-10-04; Col. Mark McDonough made a motion to approve the resolution. Greg Whitaker seconded the motion. The resolution passed. Chairperson Cheryl Greathouse abstained.

Resolution #2019-10-05: Resolution Authorizing Contract with Georgia Public Safety Training Center for Additional Communications Training Position

Vice Chairperson Hancock asked for a motion for the approval of Resolution #2019-10-05; Ted Wynn made a motion to approve the resolution. Greg Whitaker seconded the motion. The resolution passed. Chairperson Cheryl Greathouse abstained.

Chairperson Cheryl Greathouse provided an update on the Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) for 911 transition from in-person to an interactive, online format.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Chairperson Cheryl Greathouse called for a motion to adjourn. Ted Wynn made a motion and Sheriff Billy Hancock seconded the motion. The motion passed and Chairperson Cheryl Greathouse adjourned the meeting at 10:48 AM.

These minutes are hereby approved and adopted this the 10th day of December, 2019.

Cheryl Greathouse
Chairperson

William Wright
Secretary

Official Attachments:

1. List of Attendees
2. Agenda
3. Meeting Presentation

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GECA and GEMA/HS Staff

Members:

Michael Nix
Ashley Larrow
Bess Larson
Ashley Seay
Greg Smith
Mike Smith
Edwin Whitworth

9-1-1 Advisory Panel:

Joe Barasoain, Fulton County
John Blalock, Floyd County
Jonathan Jones, Athens-Clarke County
Jason Lawson, Troup County
Steve Usher, Glynn County (via conference call)
Daniel Dunlap, Augusta-Richmond County

Others Attending:

Angela Bowen
Chris Faircloth
Neil Ginty
Debra Nesbit
Chris Sweigart
Barry Woodward

GEORGIA EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY

BRIAN P. KEMP
GOVERNOR



MICHAEL NIX
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Board of Directors of the Georgia Emergency Communications Authority

Tuesday, October 8, 2019
10:00-11:00 AM
GEMA/HS HQ Training Room

WebEx Information:
gema.webex.com
Meeting number (access code): 644 099 262
Meeting password: GECA911

Meeting Agenda*

- I. Call to Order/Opening Remarks—Chairperson Cheryl Greathouse
- II. Roll Call—Secretary William Wright
- III. Approval of June 11th and August 22nd Minutes—Chairperson Cheryl Greathouse
- IV. Executive Director's Update—Michael Nix
- V. Board Presentations
 - A. None
- VI. Old Business
 - A. None
- VII. New Business
 - A. Board Officer Elections
 - B. Committee/ Working Group Assignments
 - C. Strategic Plan Resolution
 - D. NG911 Grant Resolution
 - E. GECA-funded GPSTC position Resolution
- VIII. Adjourn

*Meeting Agenda is subject to change



Board of Directors of the Georgia Emergency Communications Authority 2019-2020 Committee Assignments

911 Committee

Chair: Greg Whitaker*

Alex Lee*

Amy Oneacre*

Steve Usher

Jason Lawson

Training Working Group

Chair: Angela Bowen, GPSTC

Tangela Gibson, Augusta-Richmond 911

Kyle Turner, Fayette County 911

Jen English, Middle Flint Regional 911 Authority

Leah Lumley, Candler County Sheriff's Office

ESF-2 Committee

Chair: Ted Wynn*

Kevin Curtin*

William Wright*

Randy Johnson

Tamika Kendrick

COMU Working Group

Chair: Joe Barasoain

Chris Grimes, Forsyth County 911/EMA

Jonathan Jones

Tamika Kendrick

Mandy Ptak, Baldwin County 911

Jeff Ownby, Whitfield County 911/EMA

Public Safety Radio Interoperability Committee

Chair: Billy Hancock*

Steve Nichols*

Peter Olson*

Joe Barasoain
John Blalock

Public Safety Broadband Committee

Chair: Billy Grogan*

Mark McDonough*

Michael Wall*

Jonathan Jones

Lynn Smith

* GECA Board Member



Georgia Emergency Communications Authority

October 8, 2019
Board Meeting

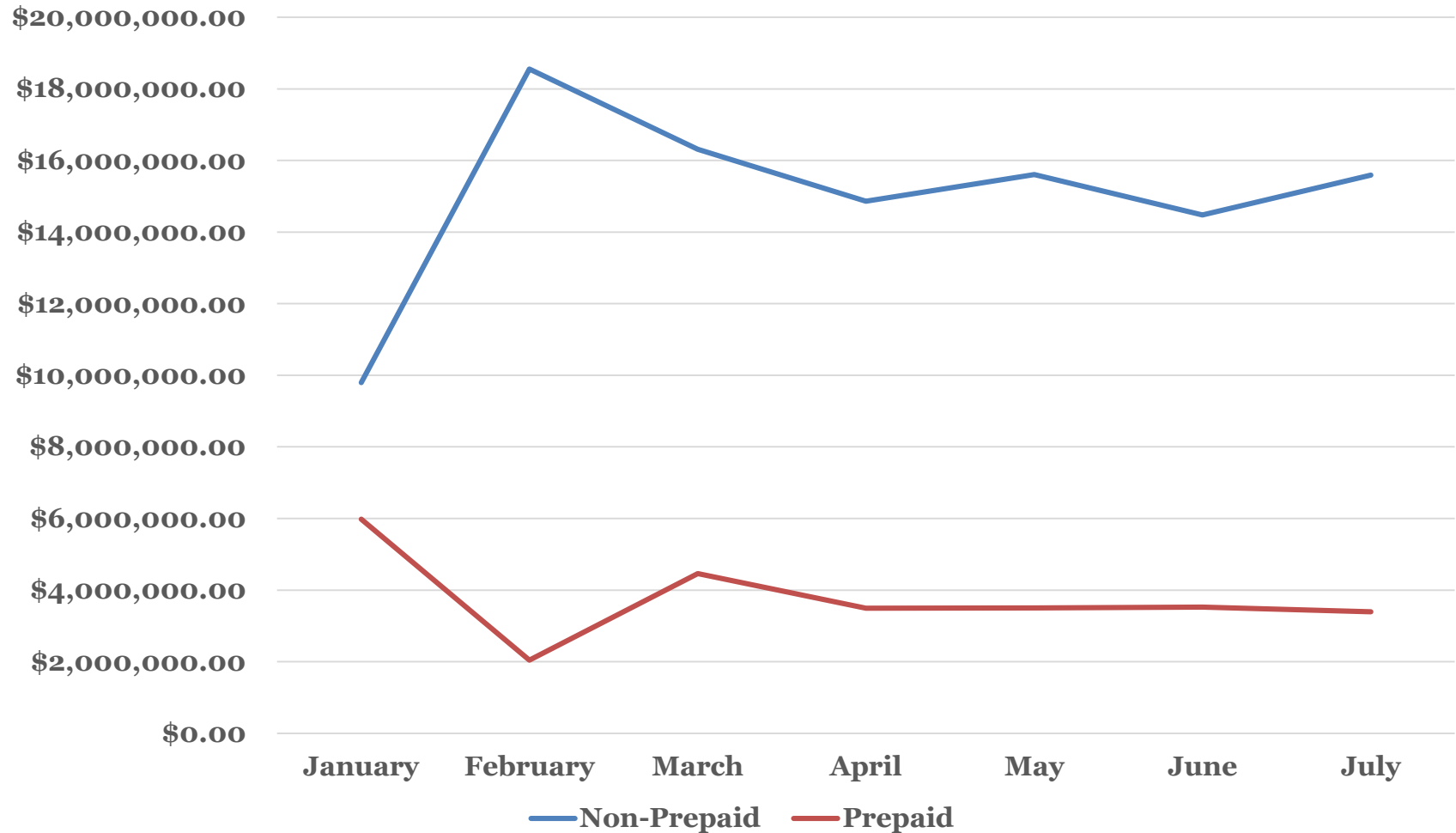


911 Fee Distributions

Month	Non-Prepaid	Prepaid
January (March)	\$9,795,611.46	\$5,983,774.86
February (April)	\$18,551,477.09	\$2,041,481.72
March (May)	\$16,310,640.97	\$4,458,588.49
April (June)	\$14,860,458.56	\$3,491,280.14
May (July)	\$15,603,957.38	\$3,498,534.06
June (August)	\$14,476,048.51	\$3,521,816.97
July (September)	\$15,592,036.35	\$3,397,584.47
Total:	\$105,190,230.32	\$26,393,060.71



911 Fee Distributions



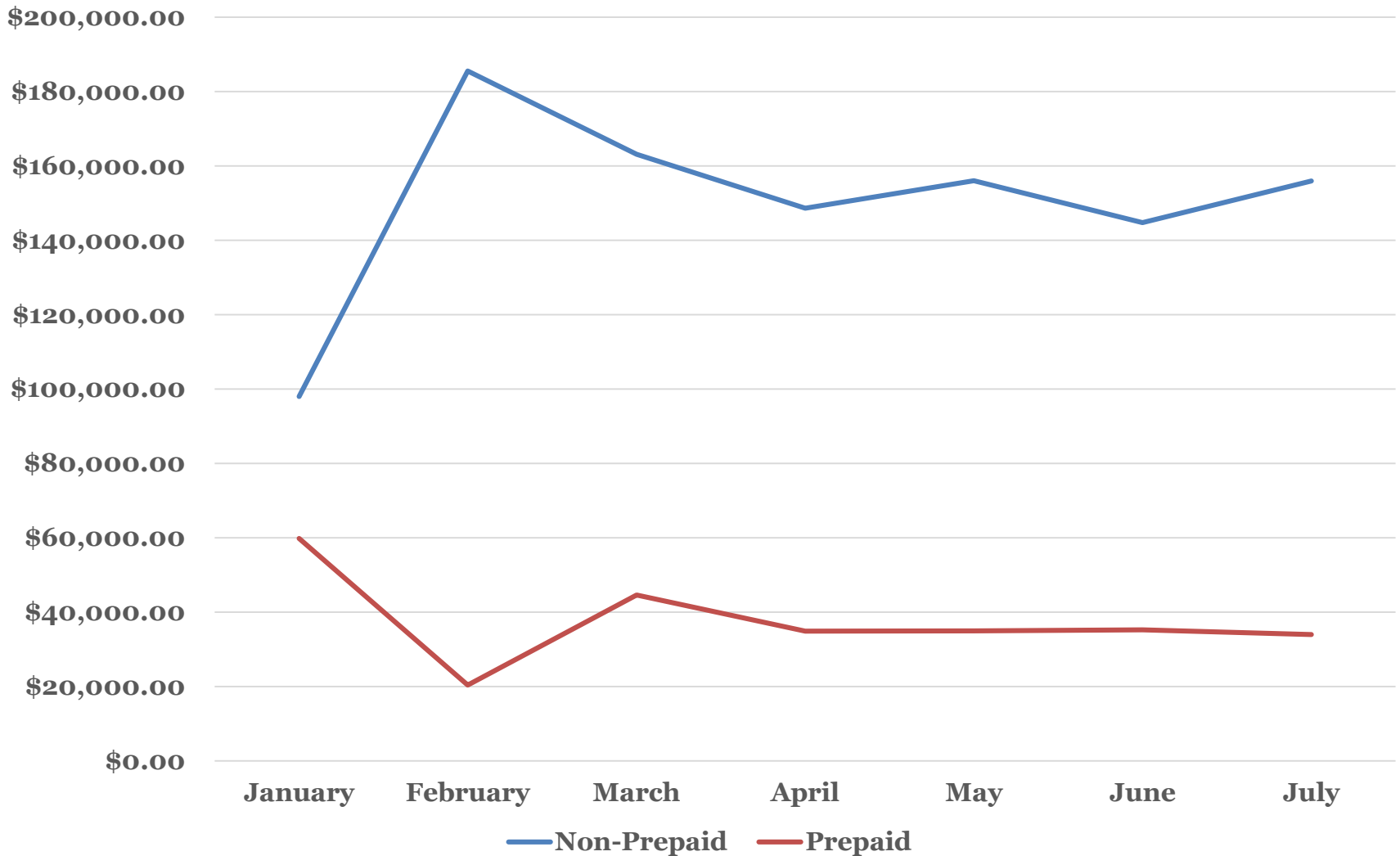


GECA Revenue Update

Month	Non-Prepaid	Prepaid
January (March)	\$97,956.33	\$59,837.75
February (April)	\$185,515.14	\$20,414.82
March (May)	\$163,106.89	\$44,585.88
April (June)	\$148,604.81	\$34,912.80
May (July)	\$156,040.00	\$34,985.34
June (August)	\$144,760.93	\$35,218.17
July (September)	\$155,920.81	\$33,975.84
Total:	\$1,051,904.91	\$263,930.60



GECA Revenue Update





Budget Update

Category	FY 2020 Budget	YTD Expenditures	% Spent YTD
Personnel	\$666,642	\$95,710	14%
IT and Equipment	\$83,825	\$0	0%
Motor Vehicles	\$236,201	\$204,960	87%
Regular Operating	\$195,000	\$12,390	6%
Telecomms	\$106,500	\$1,901	2%
Contracts	\$137,489	\$7,566	6%
Grant Match Requirements	\$91,140	\$0	0%
Total	\$1,516,797	\$413,667	27.27%



GECA Activities

- Crawford County E-911 Ribbon Cutting
- ITSL Course
- Hurricane Dorian ESF-2 Activation
 - Successfully sent a Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) to 6 counties
 - Deployed communications support for GSP
 - Deployed Southern Linc devices for support personnel
- COML Course
- Deployed communications support for SAR in Fannin County
- Deployed communications support for Honeybee Festival in Lowndes County



GECA Strategic Plan

- Deliverables for the 5 areas that GECA oversees:
 - 911
 - LMR
 - ESF-2
 - Alerts, Warnings, and Notifications
 - Public Safety Broadband



GECA Strategic Plan

- **911**
 - 911 Funding Structure
 - Improve fee remittance process
 - Monitor fee amount and funding structure
 - Basic to E-911
 - Identification
 - Resources
 - Stakeholder Engagement
 - NG911
 - Transition Plan
 - GIS Plan
 - Cybersecurity Plan



GECA Strategic Plan

- **911 Continued**
 - Training Opportunities
 - New 911 Directors Academy
 - NG911 Awareness for Telecommunicators
 - NG911 Training Block Grants
 - T-CPR Guidelines
 - Office of Public Safety Officer Support partnership



GECA Strategic Plan

- **LMR**
 - Promote efficient use of tactical channels
 - Build/grow public-private partnerships
 - MCV exercises
- **ESF-2**
 - Communications Unit (COMU) update
 - TERT improvements
 - Centralized Database
- **Alerts, Warning, and Notifications**
 - New EAS Plan
 - Proactive approach to IPAWS
- **Public Safety Broadband**
 - Monitor FirstNet activities
 - Interoperability